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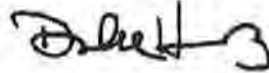
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Sincerely yours,

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David M. Hardy  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

This Case Originated At: Chicago, Illinois

Chicago File No. 100-7343

Report Made At CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	Date When Made 4/25/42	Period For Which Report Made By 4/7-9/13/15-17/ 20-24/42	RWA:CH
Title <u>WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.</u>		Character INTERNAL SECURITY - G SEDITION	

Synopsis of Facts:

Subject organization reported formed in February, 1941 at Chicago and to have been incorporated shortly thereafter. Claim membership of 35,000 woman throughout the United States, of which 10,000 reportedly in Chicago. Confidential Informant [redacted] states 1000 in Chicago is more nearly correct. Headed by MRS. LYRL CLARK VAN HYNING; [redacted]

These women are outspoken against the Administration and the conduct of the war and have been reported as pro-German. Meetings have been held several times a week since Pearl Harbor and at one meeting held February 24, 1942, the speaker, [redacted] of Washington, D.C., said "Let's kill the President", and others in the audience replied "Let's do it". They have adopted resolutions protesting sugar rationing and urged members to refuse to register for this. They act in unison with related peace groups, calling for immediate recall of the armed forces in foreign lands. They have been active in political affairs, campaigning in the recent Primary Election for Isolationist candidates and entered some of their members as candidates for State positions. Reported to be carrying on correspondence with sons of members in the armed forces, urging them to secure names of other soldiers without parents in order that subject organization may communicate with them. Case presented to United States Attorney, ALBERT J. WOLL, and a Grand Jury is presently considering the activities of subject organization.

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*San Francisco*

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REFERENCE: Teletype to Bureau from Chicago Field Division dated April 13, 1942.

DETAILS: ORGANIZATION

Subject organization maintains an office at 37 West Van Buren St., Room 335. The present officers as obtained from Source of Information A, after a review of the literature and material in his possession are set forth as follows:

MRS. LYRL CLARK VAN HYNING, 6210 Greenwood Ave. - President

Subject organization maintains several branches throughout the city of Chicago which are set forth as follows:

Southside Section #1 -

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Southside Section #2 -

Other women who are presently active in this organization as reported by source of information A are as follows:

Source of information A made available a copy of the Chicago Herald American for February 16, 1941 which is to the effect

that a group headed by a [redacted] met at the LaSalle Hotel on February 16, 1941 for the purpose of organizing a coordinated movement of all mother's groups and to protect HR-1776. The following statement was given by [redacted]

"America's participation in this war will blot out the fact of this Republic as well as cost us the lives of thousands of our sons - We, The Mothers are mobilizing the forces of American motherhood in organizations, groups and individuals in one great crusade to guard the interests and peace of the United States by coordinated action."

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[redacted] Chicago, by a communication dated September 30, 1941 furnished the information that it was her understanding that subject organization was initiated by MRS. LYNN CLARK VAN HYNING in the Germania Club in April of 1941 at which time a collection was taken of persons attending, which amounted to more than \$400.00. Also present at this meeting was [redacted]

[redacted] advised that these women in company with [redacted] of the Patriotic Research Bureau, 8 South Dearborn St., went to Washington, D. C. to protest before Congress the enactment of the Lease-Lend Bill and other Administrative policies.

[redacted] advised that in September of 1941, internal friction within subject organization caused [redacted] to be read out of the group,

Subject organization bears the word "incorporated" on literature in the possession of source of information A as far back as April of 1941. The Springfield Field Division has been requested by letter to examine the records of the Department of State to ascertain the officers and the articles of incorporation.

Source of Information B advised that a booklet entitled "A Message to the Intelligent Womanhood of America" from We, The Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc.", was handed to her with other literature on April 16, 1942. From this booklet the following is quoted:

"An organization dedicated to  
The preservation of our Republic and  
its manhood, and  
The building of a better world for a  
war weary humanity,  
A sane, sound program of  
EDUCATION and ACTION"

In this booklet, a copy of which is in Chicago files, are the following objectives:

1. To educate women to exercise the power of the ballot effectively and to understand clearly their rights under the Constitution.
2. To conduct forums where mothers may assemble for general discussion and summon their elected representatives for consideration of matters of public importance and for an accounting of their activities in the business and affairs of the people
3. To educate the people in ways and means of preserving peace, and eliminating the crushing burden of taxation for armaments and preventing the insane destruction of human life and property in war.
4. To recall to the minds of the people that our forefathers established a representative form of government in the United States and placed the power in the hands of the people as principals and that their representatives are their agents and answerable to the people for their conduct.
5. To work for the establishment of a national Department of Defense in lieu of a Department of War, which would include as the most effective defense of the people, a non-military institution of research and education devoted to the preservation of peace. Education to preserve peace being without doubt as necessary as education to conduct war. As Longfellow puts it:

"Were half the power that fills the world with terror.  
Were half the wealth that's spent on camps and courts.  
Given to redeem the human mind from error,  
There were no need of arsenals or forts."

Source of Information B has [redacted]

[redacted] received several applications for membership which she was to distribute. These read as follows:

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"Application for Membership

WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
Room 205, 37 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.

I am an American citizen, and believe in our Constitutional government, for the preservation of which I pledge my support in this coordinated movement of American Mothers."



On this application for membership, the enrollee must indicate her Congressional District and there is a space for contributions. The yearly membership is indicated as 25¢ and contributions are acceptable.

As noted above, applicants for membership indicate Congressional District and from the above mentioned booklet, the following is quoted:

"For months past increasing numbers of intelligent women, outraged at the very thought of again sending the flower of American manhood to the slaughter pens of the old world, have been rallying their forces to defeat such actions.

"Many of us went to Washington to plead directly with our representatives. There in the legislative halls of Congress we were shocked to see but a handful of the peoples' representatives present when legislation affecting the lives of millions of men, the destiny of a mighty nation was being decided. We learned that of the 535 representatives in Congress, only 7 were women. Disillusioned but not discouraged we returned home determined to arouse and inform the women of America.

"Today we are organizing by Congressional Districts throughout the nation in order to focus attention on the men we send to Congress. It is through them this nation must be led back to the paths of peace and prosperity. We have learned a bitter lesson, and paid a terrible price for our indifference.

"Through our program of education and action, the voice of the mothers will be heard and heeded in the legislative councils of the nation. WE CAN AND WILL STOP WAR, that antiquated system of militarism and mass murder that devours the fruits of progress and keeps humanity in perpetual bondage.

Ignorance permits war.

"Women's rights are but an empty travesty if the priceless right to have her son live and enjoy his God given heritage of freedom is denied; if that son can be torn from her arms and sent to an untimely death far from home and country, a cheap pawn in an unholy struggle for power and profit.

WOMEN CAN STOP WAR - WILL THEY?"

Source of information B advised that [REDACTED]

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In addition, Source of Information [redacted] [redacted] the Chicago Leader, a weekly newspaper, edited and published by FRED R. HUNT & SONS, 1767 West Greenleaf. The subject organization has no official publications published by them, but the Chicago Leader carries announcements of their meetings and speeches and articles written by MRS. VAN HYNING and [redacted].

Confidential Informant [redacted] has reported that 1000 copies of the Chicago Leader are subscribed to by members of subject organization and the Chicago Leader is on sale at all meetings held by We, The Mothers, Mobilize For America, Inc.

Confidential Informant [redacted] further advised that subject organization claims a membership of 35,000 persons throughout the United States of which 10,000 are reportedly residing in Chicago, Illinois. The informant stated, however, that 1000 women members in Chicago was more nearly correct. This figure was obtained by the informant in discussions held with MRS. LYNN CLARK VAN HYNING and [redacted].

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[redacted] The subscription of 1000 copies of Chicago Leader for the subject organization is indicated as being approximately the correct membership in the Chicago area.

[redacted] of the organization known as Lease Land to America, Inc., advised [redacted]

[redacted] further remarked that the Chicago Chapters of We, The Mother, Mobilize, are working closely with the group of mothers in Cleveland, Ohio.

At the headquarters office, 37 West Van Buren St., Room 335, it has been reported that five or six volunteer workers have been engaged in distributing literature, answering telephone calls and engaged in office work.

[redacted] advised Special Agent [redacted] on December 15, 1941 that the [redacted] is the only paid employee in the headquarters office.

Subject organization is financed by contributions and by the sale of memberships. A plan was worked out and put into effect at several



meetings to collect a dime from those present and to urge them to obtain new memberships. The new members would also contribute a dime of which 7¢ would be retained by the individual obtaining the new member. This was a plan adopted to spur the efforts in developing new members.

Activities Before December 7, 1941

An anonymous communication was received at the Chicago Field Division on January 25, 1941 advising that MRS. LYRL CLARK VAN HYNING had addressed a meeting on January 23, 1941 of the National Region of Mothers of America held at 412 North Blake St., Aurora, Illinois. The remarks made at this meeting impressed the anonymous writer as being extremely anti-English and pro-German.

[redacted] of the Daughters of American Revolution, Aurora, Illinois, advised the Chicago office on March 29, 1941 that MRS. LYRL CLARK VAN HYNING had tried to introduce a resolution against HRA-1776 at a meeting of the DAR in Aurora. [redacted] stated that MRS. VAN HYNING had formerly been a Regent of this Group about six years ago but since that time, she has been successful in bringing certain members of the Daughters of American Revolution to the position "England is your enemy, not Germany". [redacted] further advised that MRS. VAN HYNING was a friend of a [redacted] of a German newspaper publisher residing in Aurora. She advised that MRS. VAN HYNING had formerly lived in South America, coming from there to Aurora about eight years ago and that MRS. VAN HYNING had since moved to 6210 Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

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Source of Information A advised that the subject organization had been active in sending groups to Congress to protest Administrative measures with regard to the foreign policy. In the middle of July, 1941, MRS. VAN HYNING, [redacted] accompanied a group of women to Washington for this purpose. While there, [redacted] and members of subject organization were active in picketing the White House.

From Source of Information A, it was ascertained that on May 15, 1941, members of subject organization, together with members from the America First, Inc. and Mothers Crusade, picketed a loop hotel in Chicago, where Lord PELIPAX was staying. This picketing was in protest of the Administrative policy of all aid to England.

The Chicago Daily News of June 13, 1941 contains the information that members of We, The Mothers, Mobilize For America, Inc., including [redacted] attended a rally of the Fight For Freedom Committee

creating disturbances at this rally as a result of which these women, including [redacted] were escorted from the meeting by officers of the Chicago Police Department. [redacted] then advised a reporter of the Daily News that she was in reality [redacted]

[redacted] She advised that [redacted] was her real name and that [redacted] was a professional name which she used in connection with her employment as a [redacted]

At a meeting of subject organization held on September 28, 1941 at the LaSalle Hotel, a resolution was adopted "Be it resolved that the Congress of the United States shall by this demand of the people bring impeachment proceedings against the President of the United States for high crimes and treason". This resolution is set forth in the News Letter of November 12, 1941 at page 6.

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The above described meeting at the LaSalle Hotel on September 28, 1941 was a part of a reorganization convention held on September 28th and 29th.

As reported above, [redacted] of the Patriotic Research Bureau, resigned from subject organization as a result of internal friction at these meetings.

[redacted] was present at these meetings and made two addresses before this group.

In the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 24, 1941 in the case entitled [redacted] Chicago file No. [redacted] it was ascertained through confidential source of information that [redacted]

This report sets forth an interview had with [redacted] which advises that at the time [redacted] first met [redacted] she had been asked by [redacted] to come to her office to confer with her about the sending of a delegation of mothers to Washington to protest against the enactment of a Selective Training and Service Act. [redacted] stated that she advised [redacted] against sending such a group to Washington and especially against picketing the White House and Congressional Office Buildings, but that [redacted] who was present during this interview, threw up her hands and shouted "we must be dramatic".

[redacted] further advised that it had been reported to her that [redacted] had been in Washington during October, 1941 picketing the White House.

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The Chicago Tribune for November 13, 1941, clipping of which article is retained in the Chicago Field Division files sets forth the following information:

"Mothers Tell MR. ROOSEVELT

"Wasteno lives - in observance of war on waste days which is a part of national defense week, We, The Mothers Mobilize For America, Inc. sent the following telegram to President ROOSEVELT:

"Mothers of the nation agree we must war on waste, above all, the tragic waste of precious human lives in war. When we stop that waste, we can turn our attention to the rags, bottles and old iron"

"This statement was issued from the Mothers National Headquarters by MRS. LYAL CLARK VAN HYNING and MRS. GRACE KEENE".

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that in a conversation had with [redacted] had told the informant that she had been introduced to [redacted] and that this introduction had been accomplished through a [redacted] stated tha she had been induced [redacted] to speak as a representative of the subject organization before the German-American Alliance at Turner Hall in the summer of 1941.

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Source of Information A made available a copy of the Chicago Times newspaper for November 30, 1941 which contained the following news item under the headline: "United States Navy charges an organized campaign being waged to undermine the civilian morale by trading on the griefs of survivors of American seamen". "A letter was exhibited by [redacted] which had been circulated to all parents of seamen killed at the time that the cruiser Reuben James was sunk. This letter was signed by "We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc. LYREL CLARK VAN HYNING, President, [redacted] stated "This tragedy might have been averted had the pleas of millions been heeded".

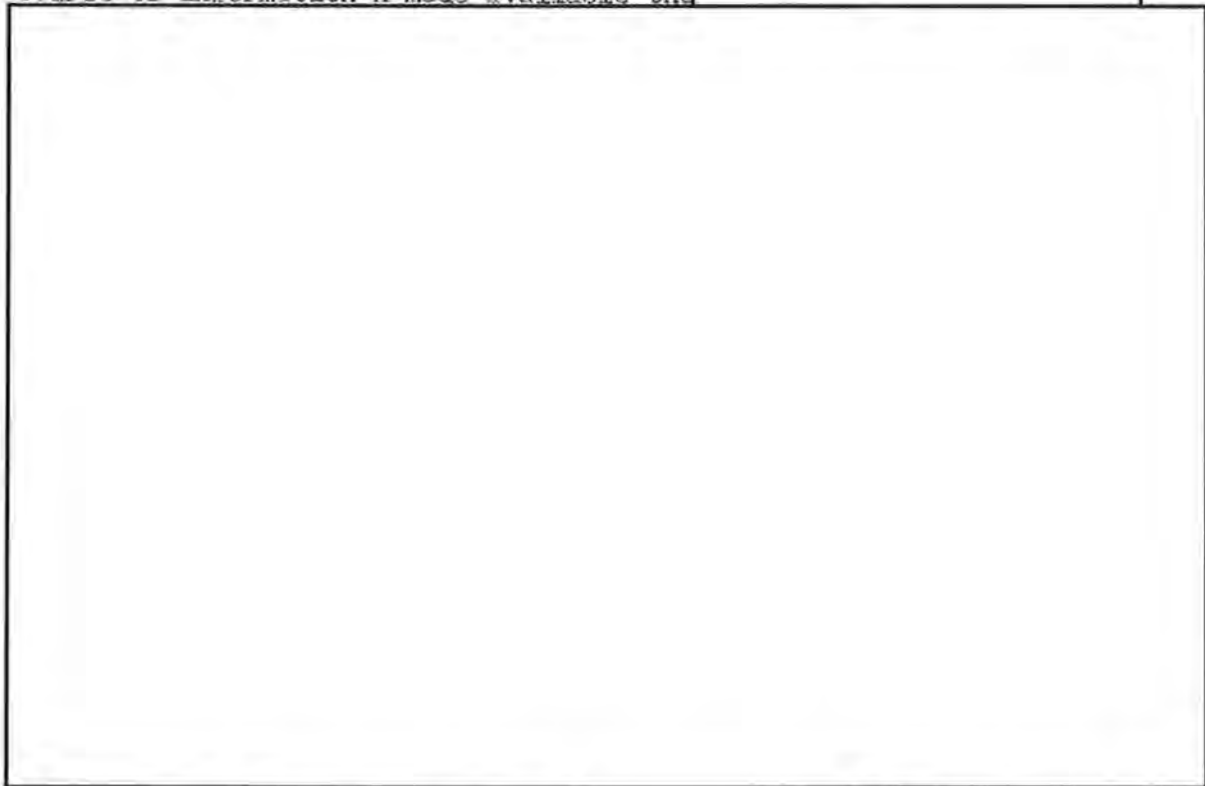
An anonymous communication received at the Chicago office on November 3, 1941 advised that MRS. VAN HYNING had been speaking almost every day on behalf of "We the Mothers", and that she spoke last week at a south side meeting of the Einheits Front. The anonymous letter contained the information that members of the subject organization were very anti-Semitic and a number of them were German and Italian. It further advised that a [redacted] had also talked at this meeting of the Einheits Front, expressing his opinion against war, and stating that President ROOSEVELT was a "liar".

ACTIVITIES AFTER DECEMBER 7, 1941

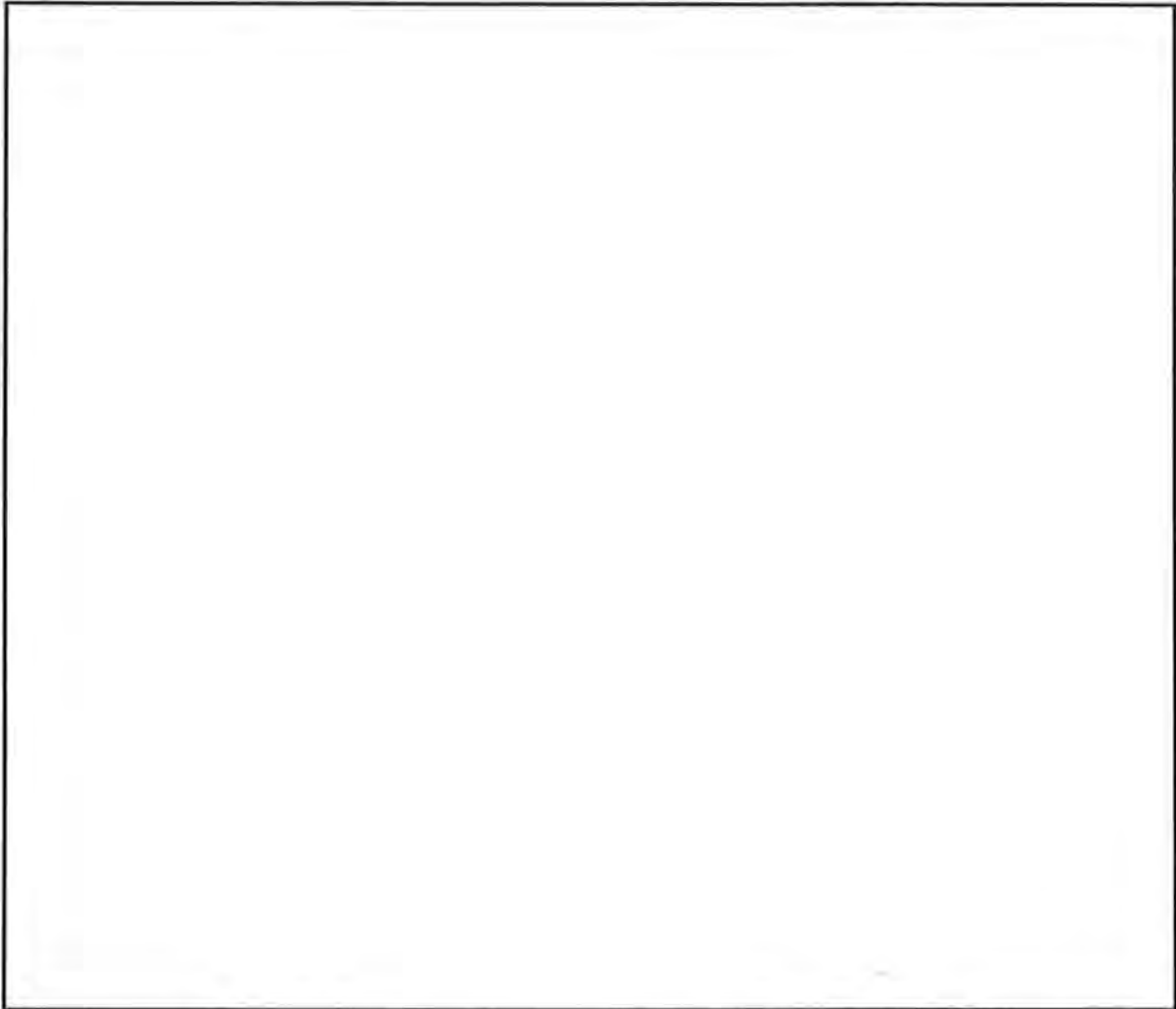
Subject organization has held meetings since December 7, 1941 and continues to be active at the present time. The Chicago Leader, above referred to, has carried announcements of meetings held by the various branches of subject organization throughout Chicago, Illinois.

A review of this paper reflects that the various branches have met on an average of once a week since December 17, 1941. Source of Information A made available the [redacted]

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A meeting was held on [redacted] by subject organization in the [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. Source of Information A made available a [redacted] [redacted] The source of information indicated that this individual would be available for testimony and that his identity would be known at such time as it became necessary. From the [redacted] the following is taken:



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[redacted] telephone [redacted] advised that she had attended a meeting of the South Side unit on March 20th, and that at this meeting MRS. VAN HYNING and [redacted] addressed the group and made remarks which indicated that they were against the purchase of defense bonds and stamps in that they would continue the war, and that they were opposed to the sugar rationing program, and had drawn up a resolution protesting sugar rationing. Further remarks made by MRS. VAN HYNING indicated her anti-Semitic beliefs, and those of the group as reported by [redacted] and were to the effect that the Army doctors were all Jews, and that it was a well known fact that they would grant physical exemptions to Jewish soldiers.



MRS. VAN HYNING further remarked that it was well known that the Selective Service Draft boards were filled with Jewish members, for the purpose of deferring Jewish draftees. She remarked that this war was run for profiteers.

[redacted] advised that she obtained a membership in subject organization under the name of [redacted] and that she had become acquainted with PARREE VAN HYNING, Republican candidate for State Senator, through MRS. VAN HYNING, and that she had attended a meeting of "We the Mothers Mobilize" on March 24th at the Masonic Temple, 78th and Union Avenue, which meeting was in similar vein to the one above reported. At this meeting held on March 24th of the South Side Unit, Division No. 1, [redacted] acted as Chairman. [redacted] spoke, protesting the sugar rationing and advising the women not to sign rationing cards, for the reason that "the Government published a list of foods to be rationed, hoping to make people stock up and thus create a necessity for rationing".

A report on the meeting held [redacted] of subject organization [redacted]

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On April 22, 1942 United States Attorney J. ALBERT WOLL advised A. H. JOHNSON, the Special Agent in Charge, that a Grand Jury had been called to hear the evidence and consider the facts pertaining to subject organization, and requested that information in the Chicago files be presented him.

Upon receiving telephonic instructions from the Bureau, the above stated background and facts were orally presented by the writer to Assistant United States Attorneys WILLIAM CONNOR and PAUL PLUNKETT on April 23, 1942. The Grand Jury called is presently considering the facts and hearing witnesses. A lead is being set forth to report the results of this hearing.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ALL OFFICES: Will check their indices and report available information pertaining to subject organization.

Will interview the appropriate officials of G-2 and ONI, within their respective districts, to ascertain if correspondence from subject organization has been directed to the men in the armed forces.

SPRINGFIELD OFFICE: Will contact the Secretary of State to obtain the articles of incorporation, and the names of the officers incorporating subject organization.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE: Will report information concerning [redacted]  
[redacted]

CHICAGO OFFICE: At Chicago, Illinois will ascertain the identity of [redacted] and interview him in connection with [redacted]  
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Will interview [redacted] of subject organization, for information in her possession concerning MRS. VAN HYNING, [redacted] and subject organization.

Will report the results of the Grand Jury hearings on this organization.

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Sources of Information

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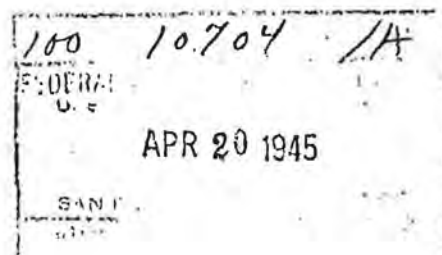
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THE FOLLOWING WILL BE FOUND IN THIS ENVELOPE:

1. Correspondence and literature initialed by [ ] sent to [ ]  
the mother of son's in this war. Rec. 4-20-45 Filed wm
2. Letter written by [ ] at Chicago, Illinois, dated April 23, 1945; starting:  
"Dear Adelle - Your telegram came today. I am sending---" Ending:  
"Lovingly yours," Received for filing 4/26/45. mjp

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Chicago, Ill.  
April 23/42

Dear Adelle

Your Telegram came today - I am  
sending you some statements, a bridge or  
add as you wish - also statement that you  
represent the Mothers. They are informed  
of everything - the whole purpose is to  
introduce a discreditable note. How about  
picketing the American delegation?

Mr. Gerald L. Smith will be there May 6 -  
and we cooperate with him. But in  
addition to the name I have given you  
watch out for [redacted] - thumbs down on him

I shall come as soon as I can -  
The papers will be out Wed, shall we  
send some to you in France - how many?

We are sending you a new pamphlet -  
very good. Americans is [redacted]

Sincerely Yours.  
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Description: Correspondence and literature initialed by [redacted] sent to his wife.

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WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, Inc.  
537 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

April 5, 1945

Dear Womenfold of Betrayed Conscript Boys:

WHAT DOES THE WORLD POLICE FORCE MEAN TO YOU?

The San Francisco peace conference is to establish a  
World Police Force. Your son is to be the Policeman.

What will it mean to you Mothers, Wives and Sweethearts,  
and your boy, to take ten more years out of his life?

~~If this is your wish, then sit quietly at home and let the  
Juggernaut roll on.~~

The secret agreements and bargains are already made. The  
super controllers of foreign birth are in control.

If you want to see your boy again and want him to have a  
home and a job, then speak now or forever after hold your peace!

How?

1. Organize in your own neighborhood.
2. Get the expressions of your group.
3. Break the spell of the super planners by voicing  
women's protests. Either go yourself to San  
Francisco or send in your protest to us.

Let us hear from you by April 10, 1945, as our delegate  
to the conference is leaving April 16.

Secretary

WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, Inc.

President

# SANTA CLAUS OR CHRIST?

## The Call For A Christian Crusade

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### TEXT

"He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not."—John 1:10.

### INTRODUCTION

Reproduced in millions of places throughout the world tonight is the immortal scene of Bethlehem. Surrounding a makeshift crib in which is a new-born Babe are the humble shepherds, the proud but cold Virgin Mother and the virtuous foster father of that Infant. Overhead, strains of angelic choirs bring news of peace - - - a strange peace.

Nibbling on bits of hay are the dumb beasts who had found shelter in the same cave. And OUTSIDE the cave—in the inns of the city of Bethlehem and in other surrounding cities — are thousands of HUMAN beings with no more realization of what was going on than had the dumb beasts within.

This attitude of the HUMAN herd is the ENTIRE content of the introduction to St. John's Gospel.

"And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it."

"He was in the world . . . and the world knew Him not."

"He came unto His own, and His own received Him not."

As the mother, then, looked into the eyes of her Babe at Bethlehem, she was looking into the eyes of the original "Man Without a Country". She was looking into the eyes of the OUTCAST OF BETHLEHEM.

### NO TIME FOR SENTIMENTALITY

My Friends, tonight I could give you an encomium on the beautiful aspects of this feast — on the lights, the handshaking sentimentality - - - yes, even on the TRUE love which usually floods human hearts at this season. We could guide our thoughts to the beautiful story of Christmas and the Divine Infancy.

In ORDINARY times such a fervorino would be in order. But these are UNUSUAL times. Any reference to tonight as a SILENT night when all is CALM would be entirely incongruous. Throughout

the whole world the drum-beats of war resound; and men curse and kill one another in a senseless orgy of murder and destruction. NO! THIS IS NOT A SILENT NIGHT WHEN ALL IS CALM.

The night is NOT calm for many of you who have loved ones away from home; and no amount of decorations, gifts or patriotic speeches can fill that void in your hearts and homes. There is a void too in the hearts of those boys away from your homes as they attend Divine worship with the top of a jeep for an altar and with incendiary bombs for background and light.

On their lips is the same prayer which should be on ours — and that is a prayer for PEACE and for an early opportunity to come home to us. Out there are many thousands of men and women who echo the thoughts of one soldier who wrote the following words in his letter home last Christmas:

"Tonight I go to Mass to offer up my humble plea to God in heaven for a CESSATION OF THIS MADNESS. I am praying that NEVER AGAIN will Christmas be spent in war!"

CHRIST OR SANTA CLAUS? Tonight, then, I would ask you to

turn your thoughts to a more solemn, sober and sincere meditation upon those things which prevent THIS Christmas from being a SILENT night when all is calm and peaceful.

In guiding your thoughts to the dangerous trend throughout the world to draw further and further from the peace of Christ as inaugurated at Bethlehem, it is not my intention or desire to lessen our concern for the victory for which, we pray God, we shall be worthy.

I would, however, point out the risks we run in persisting in our present usurpation of the prerogatives of the Almighty. I realize that there are many who would prefer to IGNORE these moral questions — especially on Christmas. But I follow the example of the Holy Father, Pope Pius XII who each year uses the opportunity afforded by the commemoration of the birth of the Prince of Peace to remind us of these matters — to remind us that Christ is the Prince of PEACE and not WAR.

My Friends, would that we could put the spirit of the Prince of Peace back into Christmas and get away from our PAGAN idea of a SANTA CLAUS Christmas.

### SHALL WE KILL SANTA CLAUS?

This day which originally was a day of worship of the Infant King, of gratitude for the mercy of God, of rejoicing because the earth had (in the words of Isaias) "budded forth a Savior" — this day has become a day of GREED for money and power and blood. It has become a day for Santa Claus instead of Christ. And no one is willing to kill Santa Claus as they WERE willing — and are STILL willing — to kill Christ.

For twelve years now, our federal government has been the Santa Claus of the nation. A new and strange people have taken over the reins of government and have opened wide the sluice-gates of the treasury to make every day Christmas for the needy and the worthless, the virtuous and the criminal. We have imported every conceivable European disease and offered them as remedies for American ills. As a result we are fast approaching the totalitarian objective which makes all business men, office boys and all workingmen, slaves.



Winston Churchill sounded the warning years ago when he said: "We must beware of trying to build a society in which nobody counts for anything except a politician or an official, a society where enterprise gains no reward and thrift no privileges."

#### STATE SANTA CLAUS DANGEROUS

As a result of this attitude our people have become oblivious to the fact that a STATE Santa Claus is a dangerous character and a perpetual state-endowed Christmas is nothing but Nazism or Fascism or Communism. They have become indifferent to the price they have been paying. That price is liberty.

We are reminded of the words of Franklin that "Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve NEITHER liberty NOR safety." We are indeed a strange people who demand more gifts, more hand-outs, without realizing that WE are paying hundreds of times for the SAME gift, that our Santa Claus now owes 260 billion dollars and that we have endorsed this note in the names of generations yet unborn. But then, nobody wants to kill Santa Claus!

#### INTERNATIONAL SANTA CLAUS

The time came, as was inevitable, when this State Santa Claus could not be kept within NATIONAL boundaries. Extravagant, pagan humanitarianism must extend itself to the ENTIRE world. Our National Santa Claus must become an INTERNATIONAL SANTA CLAUS.

No sooner was the first shot of World War II fired than the world held outstretched hands to this treasury of the earth in order the better to carry out their plans for murder and counter-murder and their schemes for balances of power and spheres of influence.

And so we became an INTERNATIONAL Santa Claus. One by one we threw overboard all the safeguards we had erected on the foundation of our disillusion at the end of the last war to save the world for democracy. The Neutrality Act, the Arms Embargo Act went overboard. AND THEN BY THE MOST STUPENDOUS BLUNDER OF ALL HISTORY, WE SIGNED AWAY OUR SOL-

VENCY, OUR PEACE, OUR BOYS, OUR FAMILIES AND OUR INDEPENDENCE. By the enactment of Lend-Lease we became the Santa Claus of the World. By this stupendous legislative hand-out, we put into the hands of one man the power to CONDUCT war without WAGING war; we gave to one man the power to shuffle the nations of the world; to force nations to fight or starve. We allowed him, in the words of General Johnson, to shoot craps with the destiny of the nation and the world. We allowed him "to dilute our strength with the weakness of the world."

Let us call this spending "charity", "philanthropy", or "humanitarianism." But I tell you that the plan of Christ never called for charity for the PURPOSE OF KILLING— even killing our enemies.

#### SANTA RIDES AT NIGHT

Of course the ordinary citizen never knew much of these schemes, for Santa always rode at night. They slept through the wrapping of these gifts in the packages of convoys and shooting convoys and the invasion of nearby islands. Then one morning we awoke to find ourselves paying the debts of our Allies not only with money gifts, but with blood banks and human flesh.

#### LULLABIES FOR SANTA

The events of tomorrow will show that while the rabblers of the air-ways, the political platforms, the university chairs and advertising-mad newspapers sang us lullabies about universal social security, our leaders, our "do-gooders", our "me-tooers", our "Union-nowers" and our so-called "liberals", were playing Santa Claus to two great nations — England and Russia — who were each planning to throttle the other while they untied to throttle the third great power which was Germany.

On the pretext of saving the poor little nations of Europe from the Nazi oppressor, Great Britain declared war after making sure, of course, that the other United Nations would do the fighting and the paying. Then one after the other, each nation — Poland, Finland, Lithuania, Yugoslavia, Latvia, Estonia, Czechoslovakia — was traded off to a new and worse oppressor. The war had been begun to protect the rights of the GOV-

ERNMENTS of these nations (the present governments in exile) but at Russia's insistence, liberal Communist minorities were allowed to take over as Trustees of the Soviet Union.

#### THEN PANIC . . .

The came panic. France and Belgium shook the filthy hand of Joseph Stalin. Italy was in danger of doing the same; and now Greece was in danger. Russia was going out of her allotted sphere of influence and endangering the Mediterranean life-line of the Empire. Liberals now became gangsters. Liberals are no longer democrats and Russia's sincerity is beginning to be doubted.

Or probably it is RUSSIA which remembers what Churchill's opinion of them was in 1929. At that time, in his book THE WORLD CRISIS and in his talks before Commons, these are some of his opinions of the great "Democracy" of Russia:

"Eastward . . . lay the huge mass of Russia — not a wounded Russia only, but a POISONED Russia, an infected Russia, a plague-bearing Russia."

And again, speaking of her designs on Poland:

"The scope of these designs, although hidden from simpletons, was equally comprehensible to every anti-communist and communist throughout the world."

And again:

"Since the armistice my policy would have been, 'Peace with the German people, war on the Bolshevik tyranny . . . Russia has gone into ruin. What is left of her is in the power of these deadly snakes.'"

And again:

"I do not of course believe that any real harmony is possible between Bolshevism and present civilization."

#### SANTA CLAUS TO ENEMIES

My Friends, the events of tomorrow will show that we have been playing Santa Claus to our enemies as well as to our friends. Please God—we can avoid the tragedy of discovering that we have been financing a German-Russian-Japanese coalition. If this is so, millions of our MEN ARE ALREADY TRAPPED IN EUROPE. Certainly this is

a possibility, or how can we explain the lull on the Eastern front? Is it not possible that the German troops now occupied in the offensive in Western Europe were conveniently liberated from service on the Eastern front?

About six months ago, from this pulpit, I risked a prophecy and stated that I would gamble everything on one event. That prophecy was that Russia would never, NEVER enter East Prussia — that she would continue to pound and thunder OUTSIDE the borders.

FOR THE RUSSO-GERMAN WAR IS A PHONY WAR—a war intended to draw all our resources on the side of the Russian-German-Japanese coalition and FOOL us into putting all our manpower within firing range.

Tonight I REPEAT with greater assurance —that Russian will NEVER enter German territory for the purpose of conquest—for German territory is territory FRIENDLY to Russia.

#### "HUSH-HUSH" STATESMANSHIP

Throughout all this international intrigue there has arisen in this country a crop of SUPERPAT RIOTS whose yardstick for the valuation of patriotism is an appointment to a Bureau or Board. The ONLY patriots in the minds of these ASSISTANTS TO THE NATIONAL SANTA CLAUS are those who are profiting from the present confusion, bankruptcy and war. Those bureaucrats not engaged in VALUABLE and ESSENTIAL war activities are parasites, leeches on our national economy.

And now is the time to make these agents of bureaucracy realize that they are leeches who are being paid with our money for doing nothing. We must make them feel that they are stealing from us, and that stealing our money is not a patriotic activity. Probably we can so embarrass them that a sufficient number will quit their leecherous employment and help thereby to reduce our national debt. At the same time they will help to bring Peace Day nearer to realization; for this war will NEVER end as long as they continue to vote for a perpetuation of their dynasty.

According to these super-patriots, all those who do not agree that there is but one way to win

the war, one way to stop the war and one way to establish peace, are labeled "obstructionists", "reactionaries" — and what is the horror of horrors — "ISOLATIONISTS!"

One local COMMISSAR said to me not long ago: "Thank God there are enough DECENT people left in the country to prevent a return to ISOLATIONISM."

I am one of those INDECENT people who believe that this country was never isolationist, unless we call World War I, isolationism; unless we call paying off the debts of Europe, Isolationism; unless we call the Dawes plan, Isolationism; unless we call the Young Plan, Isolationism; unless we call the Four-Power and the Nine-Power Pacts, Isolationism; unless we call the Kellogg-Briand Pact, Isolationism; unless we call destroying our Navy, Isolationism; and unless we call ordering Japan out of Manchuria, Isolationism.

If these and hundreds of other incidents are evidences of isolationism, then it is about time we try something else. I suggest that we try INSULATIONISM — that we insulate ourselves not only against the weapons of our enemies but also against the GREED of our ALLIES and the STUPIDITY of our Bureaucrats.

With the connivance of Joe Stalin's bed-mates in this country, we are being cursed with a "HUSH-HUSH" form of government in which everything of importance is labeled "secret" and "top secret".

#### SECRETS AND TOP SECRETS

Thank God, however, some of the top secrets are now coming down to the level of the American citizen. Now that the Naval Board of Inquiry has completely exonerated Admiral Kimmel and General Short, we are treated to a hush-hush of the real cause of the Pearl Harbor disaster. The blame should be placed where it belongs before more blood is shed to erase the stain of 3,800 dead Americans.

Again we are treated to complete hushing-up of the facts brought out in the greatest purge trial of our national history. We are assured that there will be no further prosecution of the 26 victims of the eight months "Persecution" for daring to exercise freedom of speech and the press. They are exonerated. But who is to make

restitution to THEM for the loss of their jobs, their homes and their reputations?

The Washington Times-Herald summed up this travesty on justice when it said editorially:

"Francis Biddle is the champion flop of all times as Attorney General of the United States, and his monument in history will be the so-called sedition trial, that Masterpiece of cruel nonsense which ended queerly with the death of the trial judge."

And from the B'nai B'rith Messenger of December 15, 1944, we learn the real reason for the trial:

"Since the ENTIRE reason for the trial, aside from taking the few poor specimens off the streets and cutting off their vitriol from the public, was to educate the public into the ways and means of Nazism. . ."

This certainly is a new system of jurisprudence — to try men for a crime MERELY to teach the public a system of philosophy. Unquestionably it IS an ideal way to teach Nazism. But it is a poor way to teach democracy. If it seems necessary in the name of unity to throw the Atlantic Charter overboard—or deny that it ever existed—it is necessary also to deny the existence of the Constitution? Is it necessary to play hide and seek with the mothers of sons who are dying to preserve our democracy and freedom?

#### THE RAPE OF JUSTICE

The most brazen assault upon the Constitution, upon the sovereignty of the nation and upon our principles of justice and liberty is the hushing up of the facts of the Tyler Kent Case.

Tyler Kent was arrested by British authorities in May of 1940. At the time he was the code expert at the American Embassy in London. He was an American citizen, entitled to protection under our laws and entitled to diplomatic immunity against British laws.

In the course of his work he found himself handling secret messages between President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, then First Lord of the Admiralty. In all, 1500 messages were passed between 1939-1940 and many of them were in confidential American code.

Among these were cables containing secret plans to involve us



in the war. One of them from Winston Churchill read:

"I am half American, and the natural person to work with you. It is evident we see eye to eye. Were I to become Prime Minister of Britain we could control the world."

Tyler Kent had taken the oath to defend our Constitution. These messages worried him as they would worry any American. He consulted Captain Archibald Ramsey, a distinguished and repeatedly decorated member of Parliament.

To make a long story short, he was convicted at a secret trial in a British court and sentenced to serve seven years on the Isle of Wight. He, an American entitled to diplomatic immunity — tried in a British court for knowing too much! And no effort has been made to carry out the provisions of the United States Code that in such cases the President shall "forthwith demand the release of such citizen". . . Why not? Why the hushing of facts — the rape of justice?

Our Holy Father this morning pointed to the danger of secrecy in such matters when he said that "the people have, as it were, awakened from a long torpor" and that "they have assumed in relation to the state and those who govern, a new attitude — one that criticizes and distrusts." This, he said, is very important. Let us hope it is true here, for did not President Wilson state the same thing when he said: "In time of war we should not only have criticism, but MORE criticism"?

#### ROOT OF CONFUSION

The root of all this confusion is the universal turning away from Christ and the denial of any objective norm of morality — individual, national and international.

Nazi Germany has attempted to deify the State; Russia has outlawed the deity; other nations have ignored Him altogether; and we Americans have set up an idol of material progress in His place.

The Churches have spoken by Divine right on the moral angles of a just war and a just peace. Most agree with the recent statement of the American Bishops who said:

"We have no confidence in a peace which does not carry into effect, WITHOUT EQUIVOCA-

TIONS, the principles of the Atlantic Charter. We must repudiate absolutely the TRAGIC fallacies of power politics with its balance of power, spheres of influence in a system of puppet governments and resort to war as a means of settling international disputes."

Now that our allies have shown their hands — that they are striving ONLY for spheres of influence — we must make plans to get out of the war for under these conditions it will no longer be a JUST war. The handwriting is now on the wall. Shall we wait until our boys are surrounded and exterminated by a Russian-German maneuver, or shall we say with John Maynard Keynes?

"Not then in your own malice, and we will go our way

Remote from Europe; from her blasted hopes;

Her fields of carnage, and polluted air."

WE MUST BE INSULATED AGAINST THIS MALICE AND POLLUTED AIR.

#### A CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

In his Christmas message two years ago, My Friends, Pope Pius XII called for a CHRISTIAN CRUSADE — for a LEGION of UPRIGHT men who would bring men back to the center of gravity.

"The call of the moment," he said, "is NOT for lamentation but ACTION; not for lamentation over what HAS BEEN, but reconstruction of what is to arise, and MUST arise for the good of society.

"It is for the BEST and the most distinguished members of the Christian family, FILLED with the enthusiasm of CRUSADERS, to unite in the spirit of truth, justice and love, to the call GOD WILLS IT, ready to serve, to SACRIFICE themselves, like the Crusaders of old."

And again last year he called on us for Action.

"To action, then, Beloved Children!

Close your ranks!

Let not your courage fail!

Do not remain helpless in the midst of the ruins!"

We must form a Crusade to RESCUE Christ from a world which knows Him not. We must form a Crusade to demand justice

for the NATIONS of the world. We must form a Crusade to demand justice AT HOME. We must form a Crusade to demand justice for our BOYS who are not here to demand it for themselves.

For a cause which is becoming more UNJUST every day, they must not be the victims of the crooked cross of Nazism or of the DOUBLE CROSS of our Allies.

With the COURAGE and determination of Crusaders, this war can be brought to a close honorably — and our boys CAN be spared from the holocaust which is in store for Europe.

#### CONCLUSION

Tonight as we kneel at the feet of the Divine Infant Prince of Peace — our prayer should be a prayer for PEACE.

In the midst of WAR — we CAN think of and hope for PEACE.

In these days of Santa Claus war — we can meditate with Joyce Kilmer, the poet - soldier of World War I:

"The kings of the earth are men of might,

And cities are burned for their delight,

And the skies rain death in the silent night,

And the hills belch death all day!

"But the King of Heaven, Who made them all,

Is fair and gentle, and very small;

He lies in the straw, by the oxen's stall —

Let them think of Him today."

The ambition of INDIVIDUAL Crusaders should be to take the Christ-Child OUT of the MANGER and PUT HIM ON A THRONE —

YES! EVEN ON THE THRONE OF THE UNITED STATES.

For our NATION — we shall pray that we may soon discontinue the INCONGRUOUS attempt to BALANCE the scales of power in Europe by putting our weight on both sides of the scales AT THE SAME TIME.

As a NATION we must decide the question suggested by the pagan festivities and the pagan devastation which surround us:

SHALL IT BE SANTA CLAUS OR CHRIST?

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BRIDGES. Mr. President, I realize that the hour is late. The Senate is on the point of taking a recess until early in November. But I feel that there is something to be said on a subject upon which I wish to take the time of the Senate for a few minutes.

During the past few days I have listened to several able addresses on the part of certain of my colleagues urging serious consideration of the responsibilities devolving upon Members of this Senate body, the American people, and the United States, for the organization and preservation of world peace when this grim war ends.

Mr. President, the record clearly shows that for long years before this war broke out—indeed, as far back as I can remember—I have thought and worked toward the end of international collaboration with all other peoples and nations.

I wish to say at the outset that I am in substantial agreement with the objectives of international collaboration recently urged upon this Senate body by my colleagues during the past few days; but, Mr. President, I want to remind my colleagues that there are certain very crucial issues involved in the present situation which, in the speeches I have so recently listened to, have been most conspicuous by their absence. I refer to the American ideals and purposes originally at stake in this great struggle.

Mr. President, the record will plainly show that I was one of the first Americans to see the ominous clouds of this war rolling up on the international horizon, and at that time I urged rearming of America for her defense. It is a matter of the record that even according to President Roosevelt's consistently reiterated declarations national defense included three very definite propositions.

The first of these propositions was that of armed security—the right to make and keep America strong and safe against any enemy or combination of enemies.

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The second aspect of national defense as interpreted to the American people by President Roosevelt—at least, as I understood it—was the determination to secure our right to independence of action based on American principles in the conduct of our foreign relations.

The third aspect of national defense, as I understood the President to say again and again, was that of our allegiance to the undying principles of decency, justice, and freedom by which this country has become great and mighty.

Mr. President, these were not only the concerns and the convictions of the President; at that time they were held, and are still held, by millions of other Americans. Is it not, then, a matter of serious import to the American people, even through every coursing moment of this great conflict, what means are being used to realize their highest hopes, and how the end results of all their striving and their suffering will conform to the original purposes behind the struggle? I do not believe anyone in America would dare to take the position that it is none of their concern.

Mr. President, I want very much to keep this part of the record straight. Many of my fellow colleagues in this Senate Chamber do not believe that this is the time or the place to speak of these matters or to voice their fears. They have pleaded unity with unmeasured eloquence, and yet in their pleading they have studiously avoided any discussion of the principles originally urged upon the American people by President Roosevelt himself, as the ultimate issue in the war.

Mr. President, again I want to identify myself with the noble objectives so ably presented by my colleagues, but, at the same time, I want to warn my colleagues and my other fellow Americans that it is my solemn and considered judgment that America confronts the gravest crisis in her history, not so much because of what has been said in this Senate Chamber during the past few days, but more so because of what has been left unsaid. Is it not a cause of grave apprehension that all the talk we heard at the beginning of this war about the rights and privileges of small nations, about the struggle between pagan brutality and the

Christian ideal, about the "four freedoms," has been lost in a deafening silence?

Mr. President, the principles originally involved in this war have nowhere so clearly and forcefully been stated as in the Atlantic Charter, and yet I have not heard this charter mentioned for so long now that I would be well justified in believing that it had long since been permanently thrown into the discard. Mr. President, what has become of the Atlantic Charter? I wonder if many of my colleagues recall everything it said about the kind of world America was determined to wrest from this world chaos? I want to enter the text of the Atlantic Charter in the record at this point, both to remind my fellow Americans of the nature of the solemn pledge to which the United States of America has subscribed, and, also, to serve as the background for what I have to say further. I ask such unanimous consent.

THE ATLANTIC CHARTER—JOINT DECLARATION OF  
AUGUST 14, 1941

1. Their countries seek no aggrandizement, territorial or other.
2. They desire to see no territorial changes that do not accord with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned.
3. They respect the right of all peoples to choose the form of government under which they will live; and they wish to see sovereign rights and self-government restored to those who have been forcibly deprived of them.
4. They will endeavor, with due respect for their existing obligations, to further the enjoyment by all states, great or small, victor or vanquished, of access, on equal terms, to the trade and to the raw materials of the world which are needed for their economic prosperity.
5. They desire to bring about the fullest collaboration between all nations in the economic field with the object of securing, for all, improved labor standards, economic advancement, and social security.
6. After the final destruction of the Nazi tyranny, they hope to see established a peace which will afford to all nations the means of dwelling in safety within their own boundaries, and which will afford assurance that all the men in all the lands may live out their lives in freedom from fear and want.
7. Such a peace should enable all men to traverse the high seas and oceans without hindrance.
8. They believe that all of the nations of the world, for realistic as well as spiritual reasons, must come to the abandonment of the use of force. Since no future peace can be maintained if land, sea, or air armaments



continue to be employed by nations which threaten, or may threaten, aggression outside of their frontiers, they believe, pending the establishment of a wider and permanent system of general security, that the disarmament of such nations is essential. They will likewise aid and encourage all other practical measures which will lighten for peace-loving peoples the crushing burden of armaments.

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Mr. BRIDGES. Mr. President, in the light of the declarations contained in this document, and in the light of the fact that 35 nations have seen fit to honor it with the signature of their representatives, I wish to call to the attention of my fellow Americans the fact that, at this very moment as the war hurries on to a final and overwhelming victory for the United Nations, the principles which were originally involved in this struggle are being scattered to the four winds. I was one of those Americans who believed in the Atlantic Charter. I still believe in it. I shall continue to believe that only on the basis of the principles contained therein can any just and honorable and lasting peace come to my fellowmen around the world. This is why, when I see it being ground into the dust by various armistice terms and peace plans, and assuming the aspect of an unsubstantial dream, I cannot be silent. This is the reason why, when I see the Big Three forcing an unjust or vindictive peace upon the peoples of Europe under the guise of armistice terms, I must speak my concern.

Mr. President, this is no time for fear of consequences that might result from an honest and searching challenge of the present course of events threatening to destroy the foundations of any just and lasting peace. This is no time to fear the charge of partisanship and political maneuvering. I am convinced that there never has been a time in American history when practical realism, American idealism, and enlightened self-interest were so completely identified with one another.

What has partisanship to do with matters in which are wrapped the future of America and of civilization?

Mr. President, the secrecy of the Dumbarton Oaks deliberations cannot possibly hide the direction in which the present course of events is moving, both in Europe and in Asia. Have not the American people the right to be informed on those matters openly and publicly? Are the American people no longer entitled to the truth concerning their own destiny? Why is it not our sacred obligation to warn the American people that more and more the present trend in international affairs indicates the imminent possibility of climaxing in a travesty of justice, a nightmare of their dreams, and a betrayal of their hopes? This is not idle conjecture on my part. Is it not our duty to be honest with ourselves and with our own people? I for one feel it my duty to warn my fellow Americans that the present course of events, in spite of the military victory which looms ever closer ahead, is pointing in such a direction.

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Mr. President, I wish to enumerate several instances in which the ominous trend in international affairs can be substantiated by facts. Let us begin with Finland. The Finnish armistice or peace terms have just been announced. Members of this body know full well what they are. We in America know full well the record of the way in which the Finnish people kept their faith with us, and that they were the one nation on earth that honored its financial obligations to this country. Americans cannot help remembering that our ally, Russia, which demanded the armistice terms with Finland, was the same Russia which was expelled from the League of Nations on the 14th of December 1939 for an unprovoked attack on Finland which was bitterly condemned by President Roosevelt and other responsible Government officials in this country. When acting Premier Ernst von Born learned of the terms, he remarked: "September 19, 1944, will be one of the hardest days in our history."

The fate of the Baltic republics of Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia is nowhere better described than in the words of Mr. Molotov himself, found in his report to the Seventh Session of the Supreme Soviet, delivered on August 1, 1940. Said Mr. Molotov:

The mutual-assistance pact signed with Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia did not produce the required result because this was opposed by the ruling bourgeois groups of these countries. This is the reason why the Soviet Government presented the demands you know of concerning changes in the Government of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, and dispatched additional Red Army units to those countries. In July democratic elections were held for the Lithuanian Diet, the Latvian Diet, and the Estonian State Duma. The elections proved that the ruling bourgeois cliques of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia did not express the will of their peoples and represented only small groups of exploiters.

Mr. President, I know of no open effort of President Roosevelt to protest the continuing policy of infiltration and aggressive interference with the internal affairs of other countries in Eastern and Central Europe on the part of our allies. Let us recall for a moment what happened to Poland on September 17, 1939, when Russia took advantage of her helplessness to attack from the rear. At present Eduard Morawski, head of the Moscow-sponsored Polish National Committee, is acting as President of Poland on the basis of the 1921 constitution. In his capacity he has just concluded and signed two treaties, one with the Ukraine and one with White Russia.

Unless some action is taken, President Roosevelt will find himself the first President who has successfully concluded a war by turning over one-half of the territory and a large percentage of the population of an ally to another ally. It is encouraging, however, to hear that in spite of the fact that Mr. Stalin does not recognize the Polish Government in exile in London, having refused our good offices to act as arbitrator between the two Governments, President Roosevelt has reestablished diplomatic relations

with the Polish Government in the appointment of Arthur Bliss Lane.

The treatment accorded Romania follows the same pattern of unilateral action, of agreements included in the armistice terms which are not of a military nature and properly belong to a treaty of peace, boundary settlements, and the juggling of population.

If one has any doubt as to what is happening to the small nations in eastern and central Europe, one has only to read from the official document containing the armistice terms which the Big Three imposed on Rumania.

Article 18 reads as follows:

An Allied Control Commission will be set up, that up to the time of conclusion of peace, will assume the regulating and control of the execution of the present terms under the general guidance of, and according to the instructions of the (Allied) Soviet High Command, acting on behalf of the Allied Powers.

What of the treatment accorded Bulgaria, with which the Soviet Government has not been at war?—The true story is that Bulgaria sent delegates to Cairo to negotiate armistice terms with the British and Americans. The armistice terms agreed upon included such items as the following: the Bulgarian army to be demobilized after evacuating all territory in Greece and Yugoslavia; the boundary settlements to be reserved to a later date; and Bulgaria to remain neutral with no change in the Government. Under those terms Russian troops would have been unable to occupy Bulgaria. When the Americans forwarded to Russia a copy of the terms, Russia immediately declared war on Bulgaria, voiding the Cairo terms, and imposed surrender and occupation with Todor Pavlov, the Bulgarian Communist leader, installed as the King's first adviser.

What of the story of Yugoslavia? The same treatment has been accorded the guerilla bands of General Mihailovitch by the Allies. It was in the spring of 1941 that Yugoslav forces under Mihailovitch started fighting Hitler's legions, as an ally of Britain, and with warm encouragement and support from the same quarter. As a result of Russia's pressure during the past year we are now supporting Marshal Tito, whose Communist-led American-supplied forces are now invading Serbia and attacking Mihailovitch's Serbian Chetniks with such an overwhelming superiority that the Associated Press dispatch of September 16 to the Washington Star of the same date is headlined with the following sentence, "Defeat of Mihailovitch now appears certain."

Czechoslovakia has already been drawn into the orbit of Russian influence through the agreements reached between President-in-exile Benes and Mr. Stalin.

Mr. President, it seems that America now has become involved in a process of doing just what Mr. Walter Lippmann has suggested, namely, that of perpetuating cynical outrages against the small nations of Europe.

The full significance of this turn of events is best discovered in our treatment

of Italy. More than a year ago the American Government, together with the British and Soviet Governments, signed a document formally establishing peace with the Italian Government. It was not called a treaty, it was called an armistice. But it established the peace terms and concluded hostilities with the Italian Government. Those terms have been and are being enforced upon the Italian people without the knowledge or consent either of the American people or of their representatives in either House of Congress.

Mr. President, I must protest the continuation of such policies. Have we already been committed to a foreign policy that is utterly devoid of American interests and principles? What of the Far East? What of China? What of France and Portugal and the Netherlands and their empires? What of Great Britain and her possessions?

Mr. President, I listened with keen interest to the speech recently delivered by the junior Senator from Minnesota [Mr. Ball], and I find myself in substantial agreement with the objectives he is striving to attain. But, Mr. President, I disagree with his statement that we know substantially all there is to know about the Dumbarton Oaks Conference. I disagree with him when he says there is no real secrecy involved.

We have been told that the purpose of the Dumbarton Oaks Conference is to determine the machinery which will maintain peace after the war, and work out some of the details concerning it. I am glad that such discussions are going on, but I think it is highly important if we have not worked out any program as to our peace terms and peace conditions to be applied to the various countries involved in the war, that this should be done immediately. If we have done it, we should be told; if we have not, any setting up now of peace machinery to enforce an unknown and an undetermined peace is like putting the cart before the horse.

Through the press, the radio, and the rumor route, we have been informed that the peace machinery under discussion will consist of a council and an assembly. The council will be composed of representatives from the United States, Great Britain, Russia, and China, and a few other nations representative of the smaller nations of the world, which will alternate in membership, but the Big Four will be permanent members of the council and will always have veto power.

The assembly will be representative of all nations, but it will have no force or authority, but will merely act as a debating society with the right to discuss and advise. All power, therefore, will be in the council which will be in the hands of the Big Four.

Mr. President, I question whether that is a sound set-up for a permanent peace. It could easily be a basis for big-power politics, with the less-powerful nations on the outside looking in, and that means trouble and discord, and not a permanent peace.

Then we have administration representatives who tell us that our Govern-

ment has no intention of setting up an organization by which these four big powers will run the world.

If, in the United States, all the 48 States were represented in an assembly with merely the power to discuss and advise, with all the power to decide, together with all instruments of force and authority to make war, lodged in a small council dominated by New York, California, Pennsylvania, and Illinois, what, Mr. President, do you think the other States would say if you had the brass to tell them that they were not being dominated by this council of four big States? They would laugh at you, and rightly so.

Mr. President, we are informed that a world court is to be set up. For many long years I have been an ardent believer in and supporter of a permanent court of international justice. But, Mr. President, unless this is a genuinely international tribunal, representative of the strong and the weak, completely divorced from the domination of one or two or three vast military powers it will fail. This institution must be firmly established on enduring and uncompromised principles of decency and justice and fair play in order to succeed.

Mr. President, what kind of a peace is it the organization now being discussed at Dumbarton Oaks is being set up to enforce? Are we, the American people, expected to underwrite the enforcement of any kind of a peace settlement that may issue from this war? Are we expected to sign a blank check with our own blood to provide the military forces with which to enforce and maintain any kind of peace settlement? Why can we not have, as the New York Times of August 22 has suggested, a genuinely international conference to discuss the nature of the peace terms to be imposed, so that the long period of armistice and transition from war to peace may be hastened through the establishment of genuinely international and honorable peace terms upon the vanquished and all nations involved?

Mr. President, let us not pull the covers over our heads. Let us face the facts.

The American people now want to know where President Roosevelt's conduct of this war has brought them, where it is taking them. They are entitled to know the truth. Why does he not now face them squarely with the dangers they confront? Why does he not tell them that the peace settlement they have waited so long to participate in has already in part been determined? Is it not time that a free people heard from his own lips the true prospects for the kind of peace they have set their hearts on? On the night of September 1, 1944, his running mate, Senator Truman, revealed a part of the picture with amazing frankness when he said:

The administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt was preparing the ground to support this peace structure when, against the bitter criticisms and dire warnings of the isolationists and their press, Mr. Roosevelt first proposed lend-lease. This peace was in process many months ago when two men met in mid-Atlantic and drew up a charter, a set of principles for peace that have been cited and used as guides by both Democrats

and Republicans alike ever since they were first set forth.

This peace was being made at Casablanca, at Moscow, at Quebec, at Cairo, at Teheran. It is a continuing process already years under way, still years in prospect.

Senator Truman evidently has been informed that at least part of the peace terms have been agreed upon. If this statement of Senator Truman's is accurate, and I assume of course that President Roosevelt's running mate knew what he was talking about, the American Congress and the American people are entitled to know the facts.

Mr. President, what has now become of these high American principles which President Roosevelt insisted again and again and again were at stake in this struggle? He is the one who said we Americans are builders, not destroyers. He is the one who was determined to have done with appeasement, to have done with urging us to get along with dictators. He is the one who proclaimed to the world again and again and again that America had a stake in this war, that America sought a moral basis for the peace.

The American people have not altered their determination to see this struggle through to an honorable and enduring peace. Many are the political cynics who deride such a position as I am now taking, and yet I ask, Mr. President, is not this cynicism evidence of failure to be honest with the American people in this dark hour of tragedy and suffering, this hour of untold misery and despair? At this turning of the tide of history will not any man have failed his fellow men who now refuses to sound a challenge of hope to the pain-racked, desperate peoples of the world?

Mr. Stalin and Mr. Churchill have kept the interest of their peoples ever uppermost in their concern. They are not afraid to inspire the peoples they lead with the record of their achievements. They are not afraid to appeal constantly to the innate love of country in the hearts of their people; but Mr. President, who is speaking for America? Do you think Mr. Stalin and Mr. Churchill are unaware that American food, American arms, American munitions, American locomotives, American tanks, American guns and rifles, American clothing and medicinal supplies, American ships and trucks, and American lives have alone made this gigantic military victory possible?

We are told we must not embarrass our allies, we must not speak of these matters; but, Mr. President, I want the American people to know, and I want the world to know, what my America has done in this war and I am not ashamed of it; I am proud of it. Knowing that our allies are fully aware of their utter and complete dependence on us, both throughout this war and in the peace, are we going to betray, I ask, the very ideals by which our country, great in peace, has become the mightiest nation on earth in war? At this very moment our vallant men under arms have carried on to German soil the living symbols of America's faith in the undying principles

of liberty and justice for all. If now, while the fury of war roars toward its victorious climax, President Roosevelt would broadcast to the world our peace aims based on these principles for which America stands, appealing to the German people to rise up and destroy their slavemaster, Hitler, such an appeal might well be the basis for an overthrow of all the Nazi gang by the German people themselves, and at the same time save tens of thousands of American and Allied soldiers' lives by bringing the war to a hastier conclusion.

If American principles are still at stake in this war, why cannot President Roosevelt now broadcast his solemn pledge to uphold these principles in any future dealings we may have with any nation or any race of men in the years ahead.

Mr. President, I want to keep this part of the record straight, very straight. I did not support every measure which would make America strong and every

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measure for cooperation with our allies just to win a military victory alone. I wanted more; I want more today. I want a permanent peace. I have always supported, and shall continue to support, any and every attempt to strengthen American participation in international affairs, but Mr. President, always on the basis of principle. I do not believe in the current slogan of unity at any price either in domestic or foreign affairs. I will match with anyone my desire to see America collaborating with the other sovereign nations of the world to the end that a just, honorable, and enduring peace may rise out of the ruins of international relations, but if America is to be maneuvered into compromise with principles; if under any pretence, America is to participate in a world organization, the main purpose of which is to enforce an unjust peace that has already been made or is to be made, we will be building

the foundation for another war, not a permanent peace.

Mr. President, at the other end of the Mall there stands a memorial to a man who has become an immortal inspiration, not only to his fellow Americans but to all peoples the world around. Enshrined within the hearts of his fellow men forever, Abraham Lincoln still keeps watch over his beloved country. It was Abraham Lincoln who said in the midst of the great Civil War: "Suppose you go to war, when after much loss on both sides and no gain on either, the fighting ceases, the identical questions as to terms of human intercourse are again upon us."

Mr. President, why does not President Roosevelt broadcast to the peoples of the earth the terms America desires, which every American knows in his heart alone can bring an honorable, just, and lasting peace in the midst of men on this earth, which is the hope of all Americans?



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

FILE NO. **100-10704**

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/4/42</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5/16, 26, 28, 29/42</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY C SEDITION</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Indices of the San Francisco Field Division checked with negative results for information regarding subject organization. Confidential Informants [REDACTED] contacted with negative results. No evidence developed to show that subject organization has a chapter in San Francisco, California.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">R U C</p> <p>REFERENCE : Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, dated 4/25/42</p> <p>DETAILS : AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA</p> <p>Source A advised that his records revealed no information regarding the organization entitled "WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC."</p> <p>Source B made available the following excerpt from the April, 1942 issue of LIFE magazine :</p> <p>"CHICAGO</p> <p>The former capital of Midwest isolationism is seething today with defeatist and seditious groups. They hold public meetings, distribute propaganda, and carry on a program of hate that is a threat to American unity. One such organization, We The Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc., claims"</p>			
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Last Fall Mrs. Douglas told me that she was considering going to visit her daughters in Washington (State) and that these daughters had advised her to be sure to destroy all the correspondence she had in her room because it would probably be searched in her absence. I don't believe that Mrs. Douglas planned to destroy this. She is quite a letter writer and corresponds with many people. She had several letters from [redacted] and several from Mrs. Van Hyneling which she brought to the No Foreign War offices and read to [redacted]

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Source B advised that there had been no meeting of this organization in San Francisco, California, as far as he knew but that he had heard that it was originally planned for a meeting to take place at the Book Shop of MRS. VIRGINIA L. MEYER, 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California, which is called the ALOHA METAPHYSICAL BOOK SHOP.

[redacted] advised that the land lady's name was [redacted] telephone [redacted] She said that MRS. IRENE DOUGLAS, who is 80 years of age, had left there to go to Seattle, Washington about one month ago for a two-month visit. She stated that MRS. DOUGLAS had left behind the following addresses :

MRS. VIRGINIA MEYER  
545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California

She related that MRS. DOUGLAS was very old and as far as she knew, MRS. DOUGLAS was not active in any organization.

MRS. VIRGINIA LOWTHER MEYER, 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California, advised that she was acquainted with MRS. DOUGLAS, whom she said was 80 years of age and was not connected with any political or-

ganization as far as she knew. She stated that at one time MRS. DOUGLAS had attended a meeting of Mothers of America held sometime in November or December, 1941 at either the Whitcomb Hotel or the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, California, together with [REDACTED]. She related that the only other name she could recall in regard to the organization entitled MOTHERS OF AMERICA was a [REDACTED] who had formerly been a [REDACTED].

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Confidential Informants [REDACTED] were contacted with negative results regarding the activity of subject organization in California.

A check of the indices of the San Francisco Field Division was made with negative results.

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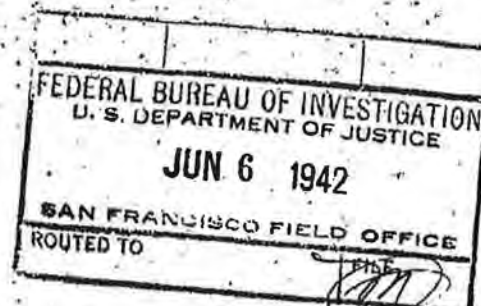
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From report on ~~the~~ NO FOREIGN WAR COALITION, INC.  
December 18, 1941.

Mrs. Douglas has a letter from Mrs. Lyril Van Hynning who is the head of "WE, The Mothers, Mobilize" with headquarters in Chicago. She said that she was going to continue with her organization and Mrs. Douglas had five names to send her. There has been no meeting here but it was originally planned for the meeting place to be at Mrs. Meyer's bookshop.

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San Francisco, California  
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SAC, Chicago

Re: WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G  
SEDITION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated at San Francisco June 4, 1942, in the above-captioned case,  
Chicago origin, Chicago file 100-7343.

In connection with the case entitled [redacted]  
with aliases, CUSTODIAL DETENTION - G, REGISTRATION ACT, SEDITION,  
San Francisco origin, [redacted] voluntarily turned over to the San  
Francisco Field Division the attached letter from LYRL VAN HYNING,  
President, WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC., dated December 6,  
1941, addressed to [redacted]  
received this letter from [redacted] sometime in December, 1941.

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This material was received from [redacted] June 2, 1943, and Special  
Agents [redacted] are competent to  
introduce it into evidence.

[redacted] resides at [redacted] and  
conducts an accounting business at [redacted] In-  
vestigation in the San Francisco Field Division has failed to disclose  
a violation of Federal statutes on the part of [redacted] or that he has  
engaged in activity inimical to the best interests of the United States.

This material is being furnished your office for your information.

Very truly yours,

N. J. L. PIEPER  
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San Francisco, Calif.  
October 21, 1943

MEMO FOR THE SAC:

RE: **MOTHERS INC.;**  
**THE UNDERSWITERS OF THE GOLDEN RULE POLICY;**  
**AMERICAN WOMEN AGAINST COMMUNISM**  
**SECURITY MATTER - C**

4-20-45  
[redacted] who has previously furnished information to this office concerning various "Mothers" clubs, on 9-16-43 advised reporting agent as follows.

MOTHERS INC. [redacted] said she had been contacted by a [redacted] of [redacted] in the interests of an organization named "Mothers Inc.". She said [redacted] is herself a very sincere woman who believes she is truly serving her country but that she [redacted] doubts the authenticity of this group. [redacted] stated that [redacted] invited her to attend a lecture to be given under the auspices of this group at the University of California Extension School on Powell Street on the night of Friday, September 17, 1943 at which [redacted] was to be the lecturer. She said [redacted] advised this was the first of a series of lectures to be given by this group and that all attendance was to be by invitation and these invitations would be extended telephonically.

[redacted] at the writer's suggestion, attended the meeting of September 17, 1943 and reported as follows: She said the speaker, [redacted] is unmistakably of German origin. She said that it was outlined that closed classes for this organization would be given on September 23, 1943 provided 15 or more enrolled. She said recommended reading included "A Time for Greatness" by HERBERT AGAR; "Education for Freedom" by ROBERT M. HUTCHINS; "We Were Friends Together" by ERISSA MARIYAIN; and also the works of [redacted]

[redacted] related that [redacted] talk was quite apparently anti-Nazi and anti-Hitler and that it placed specific stress upon America's inherent weakness, the "Trojan Horse" methods of our crafty politicians that thus obviously set aside our own constitution. She said [redacted] obviously believes we need to have our eyes opened to the wrongs in our present government and she gathered he does not like to be questioned and grows irritable when he is questioned. She said there were 28 present at the initial meeting, including four men, and she saw at least three or four of the original members of "Mothers of America" present at this meeting. [redacted] also transmitted to the writer the attached literature which was given her by [redacted]

THE UNDERSWITERS OF THE GOLDEN RULE POLICY. [redacted] advised that this organization meets on call at the home of a [redacted] who resides on [redacted]

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either at [ ] she believes. She said that its members are principally made up of Eastern Star members but that it is not sponsored by the Eastern Star. She said one of its sponsors is [ ] once sponsor of the original Mothers Legion of America group. [ ] said that this group advances as one of its beliefs; "That funds should be available through subscriptions and donations whereby all Jews could be sent to Jerusalem which should be their permanent home. The Jews are really at the bottom of all trouble in our country".

[ ] advised that [ ] has entered her name as a member of this organization and that she did not protest because she thought it best to not take issue with [ ] in the interests of obtaining further information. She said [ ] informed that the headquarters of this organization is in the Mills Building in San Francisco.

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AMERICAN WOMEN AGAINST COMMUNISM. [ ] advised that according to [ ] this organization meets at the home of [ ] on call. [ ] transmitted to the writer a copy of a pamphlet entitled "Free Speech, What has Become of it?" which is distributed by the organization from its headquarters at 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York. She also transmitted a copy of a letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans of Foreign Wars addressed to American women against Communism, 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, in which the latter organization is commended for its activity. These are attached to this memo.

[ ] stated that all these organizations may be entirely all right but she could not help but notice that several of the people who were formerly identified with Mothers Legion of America were also identified with these organizations. She stated she would transmit to this office any further information she may obtain regarding any of these organizations.

Copies of this memo have been designated for the two "Mothers files" opened in this office, namely "Mothers Legion of America" and "Re the Mothers Mobilized for America Inc." No further action is recommended concerning these organizations at present.

Submitted by,

[ ]  
Special Agent

RAQ/ml  
cc-61-364  
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Aug. 15, 1944

MEMO, SAC

NO RECORD

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RE: "WOMAN'S VOICE", a small newspaper  
received by [redacted]  
SEDITION

[redacted] business  
telephone [redacted] informed the writer by telephone at 9:35 AM  
today, that she had received a small newspaper from the "WOMAN'S  
VOICE", address 537 South Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., carrying  
articles that "America will become colonies and slaves of England  
after the war", "American metal is responsible for the deaths in  
Europe", and remarks that PRES. ROOSEVELT is also responsible for  
the war and deaths in Europe.

She further stated that the paper was personally addressed  
to her and contained a notation to the effect that she could sub-  
scribe to the paper for \$1.00 per year. She added that she had just  
recently received word that her husband had been killed in action and  
felt that articles such as were in this paper were subversive.

[redacted] stated that she would either mail the letter  
to this office or bring it in personally. It is suggested that when  
the office receives the letter in question from [redacted] that a  
letter be directed to the Chicago Field Div. advising them of the  
above.

[redacted]  
Special Agent

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SAC, CHICAGO

September 1, 1944

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.

INTERNAL SECURITY - G

SEDITION

There is enclosed herewith, a newspaper entitled "Woman's Voice", dated at Chicago, Illinois, July 27, 1944, apparently published by the above organization.

This paper was furnished by [redacted] who advised that she recently received it in the mail with a notation to the effect that she could subscribe to the paper for one dollar per year. She added that she had just recently received word that her husband had been killed in action, indicating the possibility that her name had been taken from a casualty list.

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No further investigation will be conducted at San Francisco in the absence of a specific request from your office.

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Enclosure-1

100-10704-74



Los Angeles, California  
March 21, 1945

Director, FBI

RE: "WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC."  
Security Matter

Dear Sir:

[redacted] of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion in Los Angeles, called at this office on March 19, 1945, to report that he stopped in a drug store on the corner of Eighth and Hobart Streets in Los Angeles early that morning to have a cup of coffee. The waitress who waited on him mentioned that she had heard there was going to be a big conference in San Francisco next month and that a "Mothers Mobilization Group" which [redacted] construed probably to mean the captioned organization, was going to San Francisco to put over some of its ideas. He gathered the impression from what the waitress said that this group intends to "raise some hell" in San Francisco.

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This drug store is in the vicinity of the residence of Mrs. ADELLE COX, 832 South Oxford Street, who is in charge of the Los Angeles Chapter of captioned organization.

[redacted] felt that this information should be made available to us, as it would be embarrassing if the organization were to go to San Francisco for the purpose of causing a commotion during the International Peace Conference which is being held there next month.

No further inquiries into the matter are contemplated by this office unless the Bureau requests same.

Very truly yours,

JCE:AB

CC Chicago  
San Francisco

R. B. HOOD, SAC.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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March 27, 1945

W SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

"WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC."  
SECURITY MATTER

Reference is made to the letter from Los Angeles dated March 21, 1945 advising that there is a possibility that the above-captioned organization will be active during the United Nations Conference to be held at San Francisco on April 25, 1945.

It is requested that you immediately advise me whether there is any indication that the group will be active at San Francisco during that time in order that appropriate coverage may be had.

JRW/bg  
100-10704

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100-94121  
SAC, Chicago

March 29, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G  
SEDITION

Reference is made to the letter dated March 21, 1945, captioned, "We, The Mothers, Mobilize For America, Inc.; Security Matter," from the Los Angeles Office, copies of which were made available to your office and the San Francisco Office, furnishing advice to the effect that a "Mothers Mobilization Group," construed to be the captioned organization, was going to the International Peace Conference in San Francisco next month to put over some of its ideas.

An examination of the Bureau's file on "We, The Mothers, Mobilize For America, Inc.," fails to reveal that we have received information indicating the members of this organization are planning to attend the International Peace Conference in San Francisco. However, judging from the past activities of the group, it may safely be assumed that the organization will send a delegation to the Conference which may in some manner cause trouble.

It is desired that your office, through sources of information available to you, determine if this group is planning to send members to San Francisco. In addition, any plans being formulated by the group that you may be able to ascertain should be furnished the Bureau and the San Francisco Office. This action should be taken immediately and an answer submitted to the Bureau within a period of two weeks after receipt of this letter in your office so that arrangements may be perfected to cover the activities of the group and, in addition, so we can appropriately advise the State Department of the organization's contemplated activities.

cc - San Francisco

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QUIP. WE THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC., IS -G, SEDITION.

REBULET MARCH TWENTY NINTH. *See serial 10*

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RECENT COPIES OF

ORGANIZATIONS PUBLICATION "WOMENS VOICE" CONTAIN SEVERA XXX SEVERAL  
LETTERS FROM MEMBERS IN LOS ANGELES UNDER HEADING, "CALOFORINA UNIT,  
ADELLE COX, PRES. EIGHT THREE TWO SO. OXVOXXX OXFORD ST., LOS ANGELES,  
CALIFORNIA." REQUEST LOS ANGELES DETERMINE THROUGH INFORMANTS, IF  
POSSIBLE, IF THAT UNIT IS SENDING A DELEGATION.  WILL ALSO  
ENDEAVOR TO SECURE INFORMATION REGARDING ACTIVITY IN LOS ANGELES.

DRAYTON

CORRECTION - FIFTH LINE FRM BOTTOM - NXT LST WD -IS CALIFORNIA

LA AND DIRECTOR ANDXXX ADVISED

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**

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IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLAINT FORM

WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC

Subject's Name and Aliases

537 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Address of Subject

Sedition

Character of Case

[redacted]  
Name of Complainant

[redacted]  
Address of Complainant

[redacted] b6  
Telephone Number of Complainant b7c

4-13-45

Date and Time Complaint Received

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Attached correspondence and literature initialed by

[redacted] was sent to his wife, the mother of son's in this war.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

enclosure

DISPOSITION BY SAC:

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Assign to P.D. \_\_\_\_\_

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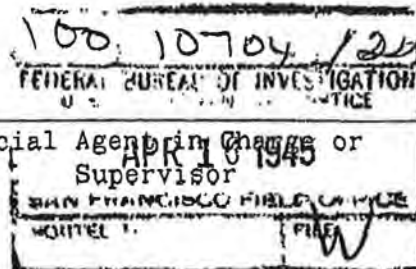
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Special Agent







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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**

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IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 100-10704

COMPLAINT FORM

*We The Mothers of America*  
Subject's Name and Aliases  
*Mobilized Inc.*

Address of Subject  
*Sec 11*  
Character of Case

Telephone Number of Complainant  
*4/16/45, 2:00 P.M.*  
Date and Time Complaint Received

FACTS OF COMPLAINT

*[redacted] stated he was in last week and  
furnished info. & literature received from subj. organization  
to SA [redacted]. He desired further advice concerning  
what action to take if they were called or received  
another letter. Discussed generally. No further  
specific information. [redacted] very cooperative.*

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ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT: *File.*

DISPOSITION BY SAC:

Open New Case:

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No Action Necessary:

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Special Agent in Charge or  
Supervisor

SAN FRANCISCO FIELD OFFICE  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

SAC SAN FRANCISCO

4/20/45

5:15 PM

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

SAC CHICAGO

URGENT

WE, THE MOTHERS MOBILIZED FOR AMERICA, INC., IS G, SEDITION. REURTEL APRIL  
EIGHTEEN LAST. YORK HOTEL HAS NO RESERVATIONS FOR MRS. VAN HYNING, HOMER  
MAERTZ, [REDACTED] OR FOR THE MOTHERS MOBILIZED FOR AMERICA, INC.  
PLEASE RECONTACT [REDACTED] AND ASCERTAIN IF THE ABOVE HAVE DEPARTED FOR  
SAN FRANCISCO. ALSO FURNISH NAME OF HOTEL THEY EXPECT TO OCCUPY AND NAMES  
OF ANY OTHER DELEGATES WHO MAY ATTEND PEACE CONFERENCE. SUTEL.

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Approved: Wagner

Special Agent in Charge

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KEEN. WE THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC., INTERNAL SECURITY  
- G. SEDITION. RE BUREAU LETTER MARCH TWENTY NINE. [REDACTED] ADVISES  
THAT [REDACTED]

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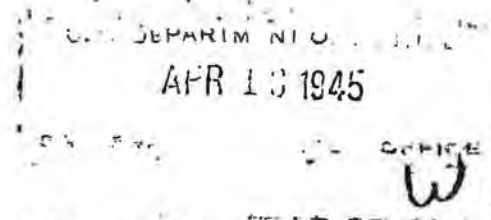
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DIRECTOR ADVISED

LA TO BE ADVISED

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DIRECTOR AND SACS ROUTINE

KEEN. WE THE MOTHERS MOBILIZED FOR AMERICA, INC., IS G. [ ]

[ ] AND OTHER INFORMANTS ADVISE ADELLE COX ON L. A.

UNIT PLANS TO ATTEND PEACE CONFERENCE, SAN FRANCISCO. IF NOT AS

DELEGATE OF INST ORGANIZATION, MRS COX WILL ATTEND AS DISSENTER TO

ALL PEACE AIMS. SHE HAS NO CNXX CONFERENCE ADMISSION TICKET YET

BUT ENDEAVORING TO OBTAIN SAME. [ ] OF

DETROIT AND [ ] MEMBER FROM NY, ARE RGIXX REGISTERED AT

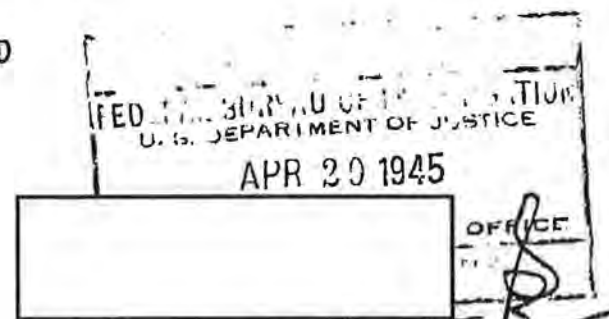
ROSSLYN HOTEL, L. A. ENROUTE TO CONFERENCE. MRS COX ESXX EXPLAINS

LACK OF MEMBERSHIP AND DELEGATES FROM L. A. DUE TO ADVERSE

PUBLICITY RECEIVED THROUGHOUT COUNTRY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
APR 17 1945

Chicago 90, Illinois

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AIR MAIL

April 14, 1945

Director, FBI

Re: WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C; SEDITION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 29, 1945 and to the teletype from this office dated April 6, 1945, copies of which were furnished to Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The following information regarding development of the plans of subject organization to have representatives in San Francisco at the time of the Peace Conference was furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted]. The meeting planned for April 9, 1945 for the purpose of raising funds to finance a trip to San Francisco was not held as it was decided more money could be collected at a luncheon meeting. Such a meeting was held on April 12, 1945 at the Piccadilly Tearoom at 410 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago. There were fifty-eight people in attendance at the meeting and approximately \$160 was collected for the purpose of financing a trip to San Francisco. An election of officers was held and the following persons elected:

Mrs. Lyril Van Hyning

President

Mrs. Van Hyning advised the members present that she plans to be in San Francisco at the time of the Peace Conference and that anyone wishing to accompany her on the trip was welcome. She said, however, that there is a definite shortage of organization funds and that the trip would be expensive. The informant believed from this that any other members desiring to go to San Francisco would have to finance the trip themselves. Mrs. Van Hyning said that the present balance in the organization treasury is \$58.

Regarding the San Francisco Conference, Mrs. Van Hyning said that the National organization of We, The Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc., had reserved twenty-seven rooms in San Francisco for their

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delegates. She did not know whether or not they would be able to secure access to the Peace Conference but said that the organization would be well represented to make their beliefs known. She set out the following points in which they are interested. (1) They desire to register their objection to the war aims and causes of the war (2) to object to the unAmerican concessions made by President Roosevelt (3) to object to secret commitments made by the President and (4) to present a resolution that persons eighteen years of age and older be allowed to vote and that only those who advocate and sponsor war be drafted for service.

The informant advised that the business of the meeting, and the above objections of Mrs. Van Hyning, was held before an announcement of the death of President Roosevelt was received. Following the business meeting those present were gathered in groups talking and visiting at the time word of the President's death was received at the meeting. Following this there were cheers by some of the persons present and, according to the informant, one stated that it was too bad it had not happened sooner.

Informant has been requested to determine, if possible, exactly how many members from Chicago intend to be in San Francisco at the time of the Peace Conference, where they are staying in San Francisco, and how many persons representing the organization may be expected to be present from other parts of the country; and also to secure additional information as to the exact plans of the organization as to how they intend to get their aims and desires before the representatives of the various countries at the Peace Conference. As soon as any additional information is received it will be furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

Very truly yours,

S. J. DRAYTON  
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cc - Los Angeles (Air Mail)  
San Francisco (Air Mail)

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO URGENT

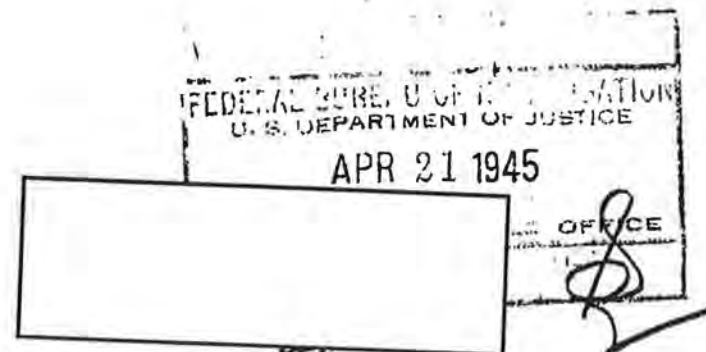
KEEN. WE, THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICANXX AMERICA, INC, LS-G,  
SEDITION. REURTEL APRIL TWENTIETH INSTANT. [REDACTED] ADVISES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
HAS NO INFORMATION AS TO NAMES OF OTHER DELEGATES. REFER TO MY LETTER  
TO DIRECTOR FOURTEENTH INSTANT FOR BACKGROUND WND KNOWN ALIASES OF  
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April 26, 1945

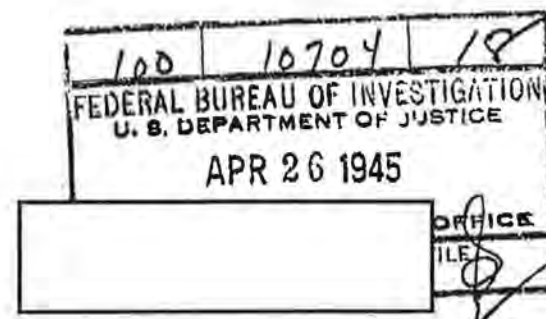
MEMORANDUM FOR SAC:

Re:

WE THE MOTHERS--POSSIBLE PICKETING  
OF AMERICAN DELEGATION

At 9:45 A.M., April 26, 1945,   
 Payroll Section,  
Fort Mason, San Francisco, California, Ga. 3074, Ext.  came in  
person to the office and advised that he had found the attached  
letter at about 6:15 A.M. this morning, April 26, 1945, on his way  
to work. He picked up the letter in front of Store #2, Fisherman's Wharf  
which is on Taylor Street, San Francisco.  stated that  
he had looked around for an envelope or anything else connected  
with this letter but had found nothing. He had discussed the matter  
with his superior officer who concurred with him that it should  
be delivered to the FBI. b6  
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Special Agent





FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to: LOS ANGELES  
FBI SAN FRANCISCO 4-27-45 12:10 PM

SAC, LOS ANGELES URGENT

WE THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.; INTERNAL SECURITY G;  
SEDITION. REURTEL APRIL TWENTY LAST. PLEASE ASCERTAIN FROM  
[REDACTED] PRESENT ADDRESS OF ADELLE COX IN  
SAN FRANCISCO. ALSO CONTACT ROSSLYN HOTEL, LA, AND ASCERTAIN THE  
FORWARDING ADDRESSES LEFT BY [REDACTED]  
SUTEL IMMEDIATELY.

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Special Agent in Charge

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San Francisco, California  
April 27, 1945

MEMO, SAC

RE: WE THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G  
SEDITION

A confidential informant who does not wish her name known, and who in the past has been very reliable, advised the writer on April 27, 1945 that the above mentioned organization on [REDACTED]

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The confidential informant also advised that on April 27, 1945 [REDACTED]

It has been ascertained by the writer that 8 Leavenworth Street is the local headquarters for the Allied Americans, formerly known as the Allied Democrats, and that [REDACTED] are the two main figures of this organization.

[REDACTED] the purpose in this organization's changing its name was so as to include Republicans and members of the Pro-America organization. They state that the above organization has been persecuted while using the name "We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc."

On April 26, 1945 [REDACTED] appeared at this office with the following letter, which he had found on the street in front of Store #2 at Fisherman's Wharf. The letter is as follows:

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"Chicago, Ill.  
April 23/45

"Dear Adelle

"Your telegram came today--I am sending you some statements, abridge or add as you wish--also statement that you represent We The Mothers. Keep me informed of everything--the whole purpose is to introduce a discordant note. How about picketing the American delegation?

"Mr. Gerald L K Smith will be there May 6--and we cooperate with him, but in addition to the name I have given you watch out for [redacted] Thumbs down on him.

"I shall come as soon as I can--The papers will be out Wed., shall we send some to you in Frisco--how many? We are sending you a new pamphlet--very good. Americans is [redacted]

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"Lovingly yours,  
"Lyrl."

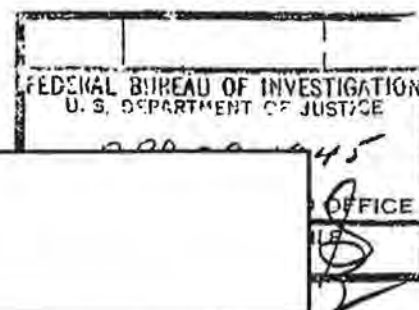
It is to be noted that the person to whom this letter is addressed is believed to be Mrs. ADELLE COX, who is head of We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc. organization at Los Angeles, California. The person signing the letter, it is to be noted, used only the name LYRL. However, it is believed that this is Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING, who is president of the We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc. in Chicago, Illinois. The above can further be substantiated due to the fact that this office has received information from both Chicago and Los Angeles advising that Mrs. ADELLE COX and Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING, along with HOMER MERTZ, were coming to San Francisco during the United Nations Conference to represent We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc.

Close contact will be maintained with the above mentioned informant as to the activities of this organization.

[redacted]  
Special Agent

RCS:PH  
100-10704

cc - 62-2555



FBI LOS ANGELES 4-28-45 1-13 PM CB

SAC SAN FRANCISCO U R G E N T

DROP. WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC., INTERNAL SECURITY  
G, SEDITION. [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT

[REDACTED] IS PRESENTLY STAYING AT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BELIEVES [REDACTED] WILL [REDACTED] RETURN LOS ANGELES MAY FIRST INSTANT. [REDACTED] *We have case file on her.*

[REDACTED] IS CORRESPONDENT OF [REDACTED] REGARDING ACCOMMODATIONS SAN FRANCISCO FOR MEMBERS OF INSTANT ORGANIZATION. [REDACTED] AND OFFICIALS ROSSLYN HOTEL, L.A., INTERVIEWED REGARDING PRESENT ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS BUT INFORMANTS BELIEVE THEY MAY BE LOCATED WITH COX.

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San Francisco  
April 27, 1945

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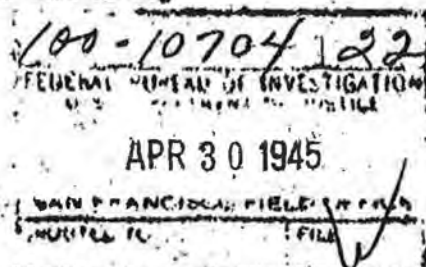
Re: **FE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA,  
INCORPORATED; ALSO KNOWN AS, THE  
UNITED AMERICANS**

Information has been received from several confidential sources that the above organization may create a disturbance of some nature in connection with UNCIO. FE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INCORPORATED, is an organization which was formed in Chicago in February, 1941, its national president being one Mrs. LYLE CLARE VAN NYNING. It claimed national membership of 35,000, but this figure is believed to be considerably exaggerated. Its members are women who have reportedly been very outspoken against the administration and conduct of the war and have been reported as pro-German and anti-Jewish. They were reported in 1942 to be rabidly isolationist, opposed to rationing programs, and to have made threats against the life of the President. Approximately a year ago, women said to be representatives of this organization created a disturbance in Washington, D. C., by picketing the Capitol building and the White House in opposition to the continuance of Lend-Lease legislation.

Confidential sources in Chicago, the national headquarters of the organization, have reported that a delegation from this group plans to be in San Francisco during the UNCIO. The delegation is said to include Mrs. LYLE VAN NYNING, one HENRY MALITZ of Chicago, Mrs. ABEL COX, head of the organization in Los Angeles, California, from Detroit, and several other unidentified persons.

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A confidential informant in San Francisco has advised that [redacted] of the organization, recently made the statement that the organization would not be known under its true name during the UNCIO because of alleged persecutions suffered by it under the name, FE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INCORPORATED. [redacted] allegedly stated that the organization would use the name,



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MEMORANDUM - SAN FRANCISCO - April 27, 1945

RE: WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INCORPORATED

"The Allied Americans" and would have its headquarters at 2 Leavenworth Street in San Francisco during the UNCTO. [redacted] also allegedly stated that the organization would have only one active representative, an official delegate whom they will contact. She reportedly stated that this representative is [redacted] of the official United States delegation to the conference. [redacted] also reportedly indicated to the informant that the organization would also work through [redacted]

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A confidential source has made available a letter dated April 23, 1945, at Chicago, Illinois, addressed to "Dear ADELLE" and signed "LYRL". ADELLE is believed to be ADELLE COX, Los Angeles representative of the organization and LYRL is believed to be LYRL VAN NUNING, national president. The letter states among other things:

"...You represent WE, THE MOTHERS. Keep me informed of everything--the whole purpose is to introduce a discordant note. How about picketing the American delegation?"

Any additional information as to the exact plans for activity on the part of the above organization will be reported immediately.

EDWARD A. TAMM

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cc: 100-10704

See pg 73 for class.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

FILE No. 100-14355

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 4/28/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/12, 14, 18-21/45	REPORT MADE BY [redacted] rg
TITLE WE, THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - G SEDITION

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informants [redacted] and [redacted] advise ADELLE COX is anti-Semitic, anti-British, and anti-Communist. Mrs. COX has advised informants that the California Unit at Los Angeles of instant organization is not sending delegates to the Security Conference at San Francisco; however, Mrs. COX will attend, if not as a delegate of this organization, at least as a dissenter to all aims of peace save negotiated peace. As yet Mrs. COX has not obtained an admission ticket to the Conference but is confident of obtaining same. [redacted] advises Mrs. COX is considered as nuisance but not dangerous by tenants at Lovetta Apartment, Los Angeles, where Mrs. COX resides. [redacted]

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making purses and dresses since 1/15/45. R.M.C.A. record, Los Angeles, criminal records of L. A. Police Department and Sheriff's Office negative.

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REFERENCE: Teletypes from Chicago Field Division dated 4/6/45, and 4/18/45.

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated 6/17/42, at Los Angeles.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>See p. 9</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE [redacted]	100-10704-23	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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DETAILS:

Confidential Informant [redacted]

[redacted] Mrs. ADELLE COX, 832 South Oxford Street, Los Angeles, California, on April 18, 1945. Mrs. COX is definitely planning to attend the Security Conference in San Francisco, California, April 25, 1945. If she does not attend as a delegate of "We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc."; at least she plans to attend as a personal dissenter to all peace aims save negotiated peace. Mrs. COX explained that there are no delegates of the California Unit, Los Angeles, of this organization scheduled to be present at the Security Conference, San Francisco. Moreover, she explained that the membership in Los Angeles area is very small now, but she hopes to build the group by extensive effort and time. In her opinion, the reason for the lack of interest in instant organization in this area was due to the adverse publicity received by instant organization throughout the United States recently. She explained that her platform was viz. anti-Jewish, anti-Communist, and anti-British.

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According to Mrs. COX, mothers from all over the United States will meet at San Francisco during the conference in question. They will insist on being heard; however, they do not plan hysteria, screaming, and unladylike conduct as yet because they believe they will receive an audience.

Mrs. COX advocates a negotiated peace. She does not want the advice or interference of Great Britain or any other foreign government, which will sway the decisions of the United States at the Peace Conference.

[redacted] Mrs. COX gave the impression that she was definitely not Communistic but obviously very anti-Semitic.

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[redacted] She had not secured an admission ticket to the Peace Conference at San Francisco. However, Mrs. COX intimated that she would go to San Francisco anyway. Mrs. COX appeared very irked because all the foreigners, negroes, Latins, and Jews were able to procure tickets to the San Francisco



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Security Conference, but mothers of American war veterans were unable to do so. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not think very much of "We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc." because this organization was too anti-Jewish and anti-everything. [REDACTED] explained that she was not anti-anything. She added that the only platform that the two organizations agreed on was negotiated peace. Otherwise, they were diametrically opposite.

[REDACTED] described ADELLE COX as follows:-

Age	Between 40 and 45
Height	5' 6"
Weight	160
Build	Heavy
Hair	Short, wavy, black
Eyes	Deep blue
Complexion	Fair skin
Race	White
Sex	Female
Appearance	Very handsome
Wearing Apparel	Very presentable

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] would keep this office fully advised of any activity of instant organization coming to her attention in this area.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADELLE COX rented Apartment #411 at the Lovetta Apartments, 832 South Oxford Street, Los Angeles, California, in the fall of 1943. Her husband, MARVIN COX, is a salesman for some drug or dental supply company, of which [REDACTED] did not know the name. Mr. COX was described as a pleasant unassuming man, who is usually on road trips. At the present time he has been on a road trip since January of 1945. They have a trailer and for six years travelled in a trailer while Mr. COX plied his sales trade. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

In the summer of 1944, Mrs. COX attended the California State Republican Convention. She also planned to attend the Republican Convention in Chicago, Illinois, during the summer of 1944, but finally did not attend although she borrowed \$500 from her friends to go. She

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[REDACTED] However, when she returned she worked six weeks as a maid at the Lovetta Apartments, where she resides, in order to pay for this trip.

During her employment as a maid at this apartment, she had most of the tenants rather incensed and up in arms at her because she insisted on discussing with them her anti-Jewish policies and her fanatic desire for negotiated peace.

Mrs. COX has been very anti-Roosevelt during the last Presidential campaign. Mrs. COX had an ugly cartoon of Mrs. ROOSEVELT pinned on the outside of her apartment door so that people passing in the corridor could see this picture. The tenants resented this display so vehemently that Mrs. COX was of necessity forced to remove this offensive cartoon, [REDACTED]

Mrs. COX distributes bundles of newspapers that she gets from Chicago, Illinois, to the tenants of the building and the neighborhood. The tenants usually push these papers and pamphlets back under Mrs. COX's door. The name of this paper, [REDACTED] is "Women's Voice", and same is printed in Chicago, Illinois, Room #301, at 537 South Dearborn Street.

[REDACTED] advised that in the March 29, 1945, issue of the "Women's Voice", ADELLE COX had an article appearing therein on Page 3, under the heading "California Women Speak", California Unit, ADELLE COX, President, 832 South Oxford Street, Los Angeles, California, Peace Conference, 1919-45:- CHRISTIAN OR JEW? [REDACTED] described this article as entirely anti-Jewish.

Mrs. COX has many interests. She is an interesting conversation-alist, but frequently gets so deeply involved in her arguments that she is difficult to follow. [REDACTED] does not believe that Mrs. COX is pro-Axis

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or un-American. [ ] believes that Mrs. COX is just a fanatic about peace and the Jewish people. When Mrs. COX first came to her present apartment, she had equipment for giving electrical massages, sometimes described as Vita-Ray. However, she was afraid to advertise her ability in this type of massage because she was not licensed. She finally rented an office at 104 South Vermont Street, Room 101, Los Angeles, where she took this equipment. In addition to her interest in electrical massages, Mrs. COX is also very proficient at making leather purses and dresses. In fact, Mrs. COX makes all her own clothes, and according to [ ] sews beautifully.

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Mrs. COX more than once has emphatically blamed England for starting the present war. She does not want the Jewish diplomats to settle the present peace problems. She says that she is going to San Francisco, California, with other mothers from all over the United States on or about April 25, 1945, "to raise a lot of Cain up there". Mrs. COX complained to [ ] that she heard that most of the hotels and residences in San Francisco were all reserved by the Negroes and the Jews so that there was hardly any room for anyone in San Francisco now.

[ ] noted that Mrs. COX occasionally referred to instant organization as "We, the Mothers of World War II". [ ]

[ ] does not believe Mrs. COX dangerous to the United States, but certainly is a nuisance to her immediate neighborhood.

[ ]

[ ] advised that she would keep this office fully informed of all activities of instant organization coming to her attention.

[ ] contacted Mrs. COX telephonically at her home under the name of [ ]. Mrs. COX advised that originally instant organization consisted of all Christian Scientists; however,

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during a period of transition instant organization broke with the Christian Scientists because Mrs. COX's followers demanded peace at any price. Mrs. COX commented that there were very few members in Los Angeles because of the adverse publicity received throughout the country.

Mrs. COX related that she had been in Los Angeles, California, for the past two years, but has only been active in the organization in question since January 1st of this year. She was formerly Secretary to the Dean of Northwestern University quite some years ago, and is extremely anti-Communistic.

[redacted] characterized Mrs. COX as possessing a "very mixed up mind".

According to [redacted] Mrs. COX advised that [redacted] (see Page 508 of the book "Under Cover" by JOHN ROY CARLSON), one of the [redacted] from Detroit, Michigan, and one [redacted] in this organization from New York, are presently in Los Angeles, California. The aforesaid, with Mrs. COX, planned to attend the Peace Conference at San Francisco. At present, tickets had not been secured and they were in a quandary. Mrs. COX heard that the only available tickets were for the press. However, she was going to try every way possible to secure tickets to this conference so that she would be assured of admission.

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She said that she is working very closely with [redacted] the "Women of the Pacific". [redacted] according to informant, is closely associated with a pro-American group consisting of such people as [redacted] Informant believes that [redacted] is seeped in the philosophy of the Franco movement in this hemisphere, as well as being pro-Hitler.

Mrs. COX raved to informant about what a terrible mental attitude the members of the armed forces now have and what miseries they are undergoing. Mrs. COX added that there is a terror in the American hearts now, and all are asking, "What are we fighting for?" "What is democracy?"

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Confidential Informant [ ] advised that Mrs. COX rents a 15 x 15 small room at 104 South Vermont Street, Los Angeles, California. The room number is 101, [ ] Mrs. COX has been in this office building since approximately January 15, 1945. She operates a studio, and [ ] that she is making purses and dresses at this address.

[ ] the other tenants in this building are not well acquainted with Mrs. COX because Mrs. COX is a new tenant and does not seem to be at her office very often.

[ ] telephonically advised Special Agent [ ]

[ ] had received recently a pamphlet via the mails and she was of the opinion that this pamphlet or newspaper was disloyal in nature. Consequently she transmitted the same to this office forthwith, advising that this pamphlet carried a return address ADELLE COX, 832 South Oxford, Los Angeles. A review of said pamphlet reflected that it was the October 26, 1944, issue of the "Women's Voice", emanating from Chicago, Illinois. The same is being retained in the 1-A file of instant case in the Los Angeles Field Division for future reference.

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Subsequently, [ ] advised in an interview that she did not know ADELLE COX and could not imagine why she was recipient of this literature. It was her opinion that ADELLE COX had probably seen her name in the telephone directory and probably uses the telephone directory as a basis for a list of possible interested people in her organization.

On March 29, 1945, [ ] advised the Los Angeles Field Division that in answer to an advertisement placed in a local paper by the subject organization, utilizing the name of Mrs. EARL F. ARNOLD, Post Office Box 5153, Metropolitan Station, Los Angeles, a reply was received from Mrs. ADELLE COX, 832 South Oxford Avenue, Los Angeles, California, business address 104 South Vermont Street, Room 101, Los Angeles. Subsequently, [ ] advised that they have received no further correspondence or information concerning such organization or from ADELLE COX.

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Special Agent [redacted] checked the records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, 417 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, in order to locate a record of COX, with negative results.

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Special Agent [redacted] checked the records of the Los Angeles Police Department and Sheriff's Office in order to locate a criminal record for Mrs. COX, with negative results.

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LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California:

Will endeavor to ascertain the financial status of  
ADELLE COX, Los Angeles, California, bearing in mind that Mrs. COX

Will obtain detailed account of current activities of  
ADELLE COX and instant organization from Confidential Informant [ ]

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Copies of instant report are being furnished the San Francisco  
Field Division inasmuch as the members of instant organization through-  
out the United States are assembling at San Francisco, California, to  
attend the Security Conference in that city on April 25, 1945, with  
the idea of "raising Cain" in order to promote negotiated peace.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 5/7/45

FROM : SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G  
SEDITION

Reference is made to the memo of Special Agent [REDACTED]  
captioned as above dated May 7, 1945 concerning the incident which took  
place at the York Hotel, San Francisco, May 7th.

[REDACTED]  
under the [REDACTED] is the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for the Conference.

[REDACTED] came to me to tell me what had happened at the  
York Hotel and to again express his desire for close liaison with this office  
so that such a thing will not happen again. I told him that WE, THE MOTHERS,  
is primarily our responsibility; that at the present time in San Francisco  
we are not conducting any intensive investigation concerning the organization;  
that we recognize their security responsibility concerning the organization;  
and that we have no objection to their conducting surveillances, etc. I also  
told him that we wish to help in any way we can. I told him, however, that  
if he desires to avoid any recurrences of today's incident in the future he  
should tell his men to be certain to identify themselves as Army Intelligence  
Agents and leave no misunderstanding.

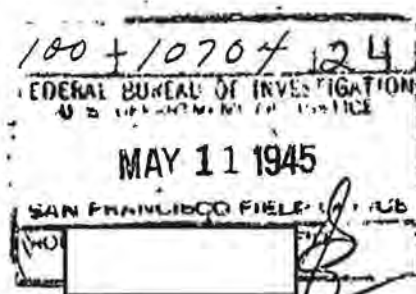
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I also told him that they should let me know whenever they take up a  
new surveillance at a new hotel or so expand their investigation that it is  
liable to come to our attention. In his presence and at his request I phoned  
[REDACTED] told him of our understanding and agreement, and he said that  
it was very satisfactory to him.

Our policy on it as stated above was reviewed with the SAC and Agent  
[REDACTED] who agreed.

This difficulty obviously arose out of the failure to make clear to  
us that they were going to have this surveillance and that there might be some  
rumble of it which would get back to us, plus the fact that the hotel manage-  
ment thought they were FBI agents.

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San Francisco, California  
May 7, 1945

MEMORANDUM, SAC:

RE: WE, THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR  
AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G  
SEDITION

On May 7, 1945 at approximately 1:15 PM. the writer contacted [ ] in reference to HOMER MEARTZ, [ ] and Mrs. ADELLE COX, who are out-of-town representatives of the above organization. The writer was inquiring of [ ] as to the activities of these three individuals and during the interview, the writer requested to see the [ ] for the writer, inasmuch as he had agreed to be an informant regarding the activities of the above-mentioned persons.

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[ ] replied that he had already given this information to two agents of the FBI who were occupying room 704. [ ] was advised by the writer that this office did not have any such agents occupying space [ ] and that possibly he was mistaken. [ ] was questioned very thoroughly as to whether or not these two individuals represented themselves to be Special Agents of the FBI and he stated that they did inform him that they were Special Agents of the FBI and had also informed [ ] that they were FBI agents. Both [ ] stated that these two individuals in room 704 produced credentials and a badge which were identical with those of the writer.

[ ] was then informed by the writer that there must be some mistake and that the writer would endeavor to ascertain just who these two individuals were. The writer telephonically contacted Special Agent [ ] who was advised of the facts and he advised that he would get the necessary clearance from the Special Agent in Charge for the writer to ascertain the identities of these two individuals who were representing themselves to be Special Agents of the FBI.

On permission of the SAC, with the assistance of Special Agents [ ] the writer approached one of these unidentified persons, who stated that his name was [ ] had in his possession credentials which reflected that he was a Special Agent of the Security Intelligence Corps of the U.S. Army. [ ] was questioned thoroughly by the writer in the presence of the above-mentioned agents, as to whether or not he had represented himself to be a Special Agent of the FBI and he denied that [ ] had ever

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made such a statement. He stated that he had never represented himself to be a Special Agent of the FBI. [ ] declined to furnish the writer with the name of the other individual who was absent from his room and he also refused to advise the writer of the nature of his assignment at that hotel.

[ ] was asked who his Commanding Officer was and he advised that his Commanding Officer was [ ] assigned to the Security Division of the United Nations Conference and that he may be reached at [ ] extension [ ]

[ ] during the interview, was very nervous and was a little bit hesitant in cooperating with the writer. Every courtesy was shown [ ] by the writer and above-mentioned agents and the writer advised [ ] that inasmuch as the accusation had been made that he had represented himself to be a Special Agent of the FBI, that it was the duty of this office to ascertain the identity of people making such representations, that this agency was charged with the responsibility of investigating alleged violations of the Impersonation Statute. Therefore, we were sorry that we had caused him any embarrassment and that if he was with the Security Intelligence Corps of the War Department, that no further action would be taken by this office.

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Again Special Agent [ ] was telephonically contacted by the writer and advised of the above facts which were in turn relayed to the Special Agent in Charge who instructed that [ ] be contacted to ascertain the identities of these two individuals.

[ ] who is assigned to the Security Division of the United Nations Conference, was located by the writer at [ ] extension [ ] and the writer, after identifying himself over the telephone, advised [ ] that he had just talked to a [ ] [ ] who had stated that he was a Special Agent of the Security Intelligence Corps of the War Department and that such verification could be made through his office.

[ ] advised the writer that [ ] was a Special Agent and that he was on an assignment at the York Hotel, along with another Special Agent by the name of [ ] - this being the person who was absent during the interview of Special Agent [ ] The writer explained to [ ] that it was the duty of this office to ascertain

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the identity of individuals who were representing themselves to be Special Agents of the FBI and that in this case, the [ ] had advised the writer that the two individuals occupying Room 704 had advised him that they were Special Agents of the FBI. Therefore, it was necessary to ask Special Agent [ ] to identify himself.

[ ] seemed put out with the fact that this office had requested that two of his agents identify themselves to agents of this office, stating that he could not understand why such a matter was necessary inasmuch as he had previously cleared this matter with Special Agent [ ] and that this office should have been aware of that agreement. [ ] asked the writer what office he was assigned to and the writer advised [ ] that we only had one office in San Francisco -- that being located at 111 Sutter Street and that Mr. N.J.L. PIEPER was the Special Agent in Charge. The writer explained to [ ] that this office was sorry if they had caused any embarrassment to his agents or to his office. [ ] stated that he thought that he was doing a good job by placing these two men in that hotel and that he was certainly going to find out why this office was not aware of the agreement that he had previously made with Special Agent [ ]. No further conversation was had with [ ] regarding this matter.

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The following is a physical description of [ ] which was obtained by the writer through personal observation:

Name:  
Race:  
Weight:  
Height:  
Complexion:  
Eyes:  
Hair:  
Dress:

[ ]  
Special Agent

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

FILE NO. 100-7343

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 5/5/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/5, 26, 8/8, 16, 17, 4/6, 12, 16/45	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] GDO:gm
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: [REDACTED] advised that this organization held a luncheon meeting on 4/12/45 raising funds to finance trip to San Francisco so that delegation could attend the Peace Conference. New officers also elected. MRS. VAN HYNING, President. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 5000 copies of "Women's Voice" printed each month, December, 1944, January and February, 1945. Articles continued to favor negotiated peace, and blamed Britain and present United States administration for our participation in the war in Europe.

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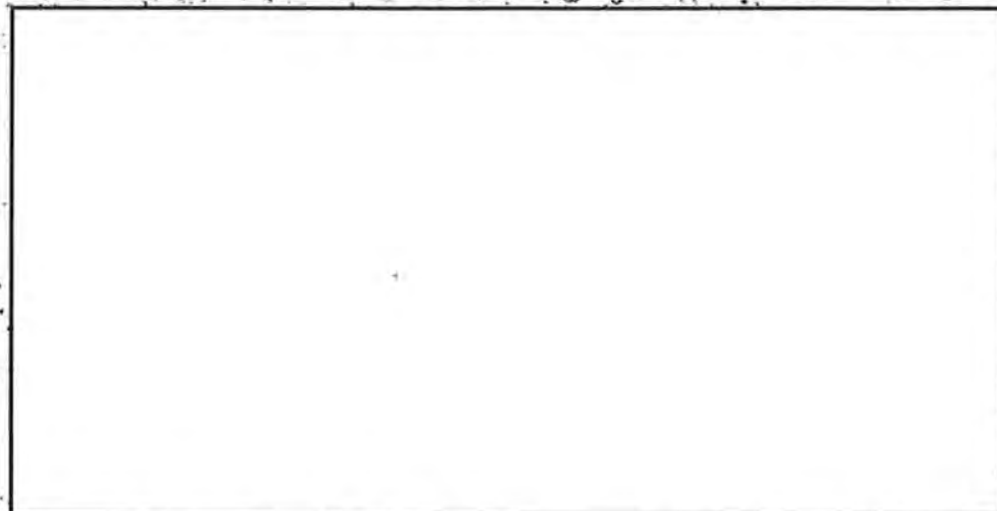
REFERENCES: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 12/26/44 at Chicago, Illinois.  
Bureau letter dated 3/29/45, Bureau File #100-94121.  
Teletypes from Chicago to Bureau dated April 6, 8, 1945.  
Letter dated 4/14/45 to Bureau.

DETAILS: Confidential Informant [REDACTED] furnished a report regarding the [REDACTED] to Special Employee [REDACTED] in addition to the information regarding this [REDACTED]

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [REDACTED]	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE [REDACTED]	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 100-10704-260 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MAY 11 1945 [REDACTED]
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Confidential Informant [ ] was recently recontacted by Special Employee [ ] and advised that no meetings had been held up to that time, consequently no further reports have been made.

Informant advised that in the first part of March, 1945, he was at



Special Employee [ ] also contacted Confidential Informant [ ] who advised that he had not [ ] the "Women's Voice" published by subject organization. He advised that [ ] and consequently no reports concerning that type of activity were available from this source.

Confidential Informant [ ] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that Mrs. VAN HYNING, President of subject organization, [ ]



[ ] a luncheon meeting for April 12, 1945.

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Regarding this meeting, [ ] furnished the following information:

It was held at the Piccadilly Tea Room, 410 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago. Fifty-eight persons attended, and approximately \$150.00 was collected for the purpose of financing the trip to San Francisco. In a speech made at the meeting, Mrs. VAN HYNING advised that she intended to go to San Francisco for the Peace Conference, and that any of the members wishing to accompany her on the trip would be welcome. She stated, however, that organization was short on funds, and the trip would be expensive, and the informant believed that any members desiring to accompany Mrs. VAN HYNING would have to do so at their own expense.

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Mrs. VAN HYNING further stated in her speech that the organization had reserved twenty-seven rooms in San Francisco for their delegates. She did not know whether or not they would be able to attend any of the meetings or hearings conducted at the Peace Conference, but said the organization would be well represented in San Francisco, and would make their beliefs known in one way or another. She set out four main points in which the organization is interested:

- (1) They desire to register their objections to the War aims and causes of the war.
- (2) Object to Un-American conception made by President ROOSEVELT.
- (3) Object to secret commitments made by the President.
- (4) Will attempt to present a resolution that persons 18 years of age and over be allowed to vote, and that only those persons who advocate and sponsor war should be drafted for military service.

An election of officers was held, and the following were elected:

MRS. LYRL VAN HYNING

President

Informant further reported that following the business meeting, of those who attended remained in the room visiting, and talking, and were so engaged at the time word of the death of President ROOSEVELT was received. According to Informant, this news was received with cheers by some of the persons present, and one of the members stated that it was too bad it had not happened sooner.

Regarding the San Francisco trip, Informant later reported that Mrs. VAN HYNING intended to go to San Francisco on April 20, 1945. She was

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to travel with HOMER MAERTZ of Chicago, and [redacted] of Detroit. They were planning to go via Los Angeles, and join a delegation representing the Los Angeles unit of the organization.

[redacted] furnished copies of the "Women's Voice", dated Dec. 28, 1944, and January 25, 1945 to Special Agent [redacted]. She advised that 5,000 issues of each were published for each month, and that payments made by Mrs. VAN HYNING were in cash. Copies of the publication dated February 22, 1945 were furnished to the writer by [redacted] and she stated that 5,000 copies of this issue were prepared, and that the bill for the printing had not been paid. [redacted] later advised that on March 15, 1945 her [redacted] addressed a letter to Mrs. VAN HYNING advising her that because of the present shortage of white newsprint paper, he would be unable to publish their paper after the March, 1945 issue. [redacted] advised that their decision to cease publication of the "Women's Voice" was based on the content of the paper, rather than on the shortage of newsprint, but that reason was used merely as an excuse.

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The following is a summary of pertinent articles in each issue of the publication:

December 28, 1944, issue:

The featured article is entitled "Peace on Earth", and sets out information to the effect that the leaders of the United States have deserted the leadership of Christ, and have placed their faith in guns, planes, and bombs; it also states that people have deserted God for ROOSEVELT.

The second article entitled "Both Political Parties Are One", sets out that the International Bankers control the country. It is predicted that a new party will spring up from the people, causing a return to the Constitution.

Page 3 of this issue is entitled "California Women Speak", and contains letters received by the Editor from members who are followers in California. This page also contains a letter dated December 4, 1944 addressed to the Honorable Senator ARTHUR VANDENBERG, saying that in support of the thousands murdered at Pearl Harbor, they support his demand that [redacted] be permitted to present to American parents the fact that they are anxious to expose.

Page 4 of the issue contains an article entitled "Law of Wages" signed by HAROLD T. HIERATH. In the article he states that all workers should have the results of their labor free of income tax, defense tax, or sales tax, and should have the right to trade these products for anything they desire. The second article on this page entitled "Economic, Not Moral", sets out that the last war was for the purpose of grabbing land and exploiting workers. It is contended that the present system of land monopoly must be destroyed, and if it could be, would eliminate wars.



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On Page 6 it is set out in the article entitled "Bred For Slaughter" that both American boys and prize calves are bred for slaughter. Both were brought to perfection by being fed the best of food, the boys were put in natty uniforms to please their mothers. It is contended that this War was not to protect Poland or stop Hitler, but like all Wars, is to spread empires.

On Page 7 the article entitled "That Great Hoax" states that the War is far from won. The High Command has made a grave mistake, and our boys are in a trap. It further sets out, "Can you imagine the awfulness of the carnage, our boys surrounded by the crack troops of Germany?" "The Germans are fighting for their country. Our boys, lured by lies, such as the presumed Atlantic Charter, are dying for that old vampire, the British Empire, whose so tricky Mr. Churchill 'used' our Mr. Roosevelt."

The following is a summary of pertinent articles in the issue of January 25, 1945:

The lead article is entitled "Spirit of 1776". It is stated therein the hope that the 79th Congress will return to the principles of the Monroe Doctrine, and "mind their own business". The article concludes by stating all of those interested in protecting the International Bankers' loans, and preserving the British Empire should emigrate to that country.

The item entitled "Peace Nations" cites pages from "The Decline and Fall of the British Empire" by BRIFFAULT, to the effect that Japanese aggression in Manchuria, the Civil War in Spain, Hun barbarism, and Italian banditry were fostered by English treachery.

Page 2 of this issue contains a letter addressed to the organization by their Real Estate Company, and advises them that they are terminating the lease of the office as of February 28, 1945. Confidential Informant [redacted] advised, however, that organization has remained in their office, because they have been unable to obtain other quarters, and the Real Estate Company has not brought any legal action as yet. The article on the same page entitled "Bring Our Boys Home" sets out the contents of a letter dated January 13, 1945 addressed to "Dear Congressman". It is set out therein that the Atlantic Charter has been abandoned, that Mr. ROOSEVELT was following in the footsteps of Mr. WILSON, that Russia and Britain ruthlessly resort to power politics while our boys are fighting and dying. It is contended that Congress should bring the boys home and get out of the European theatre of war before we are instrumental in imposing on Europe a worse totalitarian regime than that which we are fighting.

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Page 3 entitled "California Women Speak" sets out the address of the California unit as follows:

ADEILLE COX, President  
832 South Oxford  
Los Angeles, California.



Chicago File 100-7343.

The article on this page entitled "War Blinds All" contends that the war should and can be stopped, that it is not a war for democracy, but for some deep and dangerous motives which at the present time are not known.

On Page 4 in the article entitled "Politically" it is stated that there are no longer Republican and Democratic Parties, contending that the Democratic Party has been shanghaied by elements within it, and the Republican Party has died of dry rot. It is claimed that the country needs a new American Party with a dominant woman's group. It is also announced that a convention will be held in Chicago in June of this year for the purpose of organizing such a woman's group.

There is set out below a summary of the pertinent articles in the issue dated February 22, 1945. In the first page article entitled "Money, Power, Slavery", it is claimed that when President Lincoln said this country could not exist half slave and half free, he meant the slavery of both black and white persons to the money power. It is further claimed in the article that Britain was the cause of the Civil War in the United States, and also blames that country for engineering Lincoln's death. In the article on this page entitled "Integrity of Poland", it is stated that we went to war in Europe to protect the integrity of Poland, and now a slice of that country has been given to the Russians.

Page 3 entitled "California Women Speak" carries an article under the heading "California Unit" which sets out the same name and address as that in the issue for January. The article entitled "Stinking Piles of Dead American Boys" is set forth as follows:

"Boys who had a right to live to the doddering old age of the fools that sent them there. Boys who had never been away from their good Christian homes until Franklin IV decreed their death sentences. Boys who could not use the weapons they carried for the tears of horror in their eyes. If they did not leave the ships they would be shot in the back. That was 'D' DAY.

From Page 4 an article entitled "The Glory of War", the following is set out: Boys near the front suffer the tortures of hell, freeze, suffer from disease. Their mothers should tear from their minds the propaganda pictures of their boys in their trim suits, and see them as they died at the front. Our boys fighting the war do not hate the German and Japanese boys, but to make a good war, are given atrocity stories as in the bull fight daggers are placed in the bull to make him mad. It is further stated, "We are the universal Mothers, for we are loving all boys of all nations. When the radio patriots gloat in thousands of German or Jap boys killed, our hearts are heavy."

ENCLOSURES TO BUREAU - Two Copies Each of December 23, 1944, January 25, and February 22, 1945, issues of "Women's Voice".

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will recontact Confidential Informant [ ] to secure information regarding meetings of subject organization, and also to determine if he has [ ] Will recontact Informant [ ] for information regarding activities of subject organization.

Will contact [ ] for information regarding the activities of subject organization, and for detailed reports concerning [ ]

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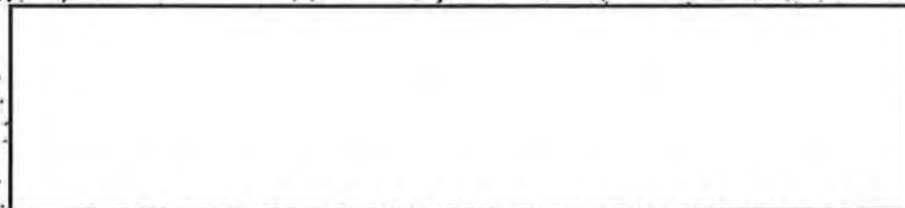
Will obtain from [ ] copies of the "Woman's Voice" for March, 1945. Will review this issue of the publication, report the results, and transmit two copies to the Bureau. Will have [ ] secure a copy of any later publication of the "Woman's Voice", determine by whom it is printed, and make appropriate arrangements to secure copies of each issue.

A copy of this report is being designated to the Los Angeles Field Division because it contains information regarding the Los Angeles Unit of the organization. A copy is being designated for San Francisco because it contains information regarding plans of the group to have a delegation present at that City at the time of the Peace Conference.

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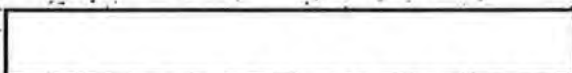
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DESIGNATION OF INFORMANTS:



He desires at this time that this identity be kept confidential.

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which has requested that its identity be kept confidential.



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, San Francisco

FROM : [redacted] Special Agent

SUBJECT: [redacted]  
We the Mothers Mobilize for America, Inc.  
[redacted] Informant

DATE: May 10, 1945

This is to advise that on this date, [redacted] Security Division of UNCIO, personally appeared at the office and requested that the writer ascertain if this office had any information regarding [redacted]

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According to [redacted] one [redacted] called a [redacted] at the York Hotel, San Francisco, regarding reservations for [redacted] and HOMER MAERTZ. [redacted] stated that the call to the York Hotel came from telephone number [redacted] later learned to be listed for [redacted] in the U. S. Navy.

[redacted] was interested only in information regarding [redacted]. The writer had the indices of this office searched and no information was found regarding [redacted].

The above information is being recorded for information purposes, only.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 100-14355

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 5/26/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/27, 28, 30; 5/1-3, 9, 11, 14/45	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	SAM GM EMT
TITLE WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - G SEDITION	

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

In response to teletype 4/27/45 from San Francisco Field, Agent [REDACTED] ascertained through Confidential Informant [REDACTED] that ADELLE COX was rooming at 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, while attending Peace Conference and San Francisco Field teletyped accordingly. Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised Mrs. COX is moving from Lovetta Apts., L.A., when she returns from Peace Conference. Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

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## REFERENCE:

Bureau File 100-94121.  
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated May 5, 1945, at Chicago, Illinois.  
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 28, 1945, at Los Angeles, California.

## DETAILS:

On April 27, 1945, a teletype was received from the San Francisco Field Office requesting that the present address of ADELLE COX in San Francisco, California, be obtained. Moreover, it was also requested that the officials of the

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Rosslyn Hotel, Los Angeles, California, be interviewed in order to ascertain the forwarding addresses recorded at said Hotel for [REDACTED]

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on April 28, 1945, and [REDACTED] advised that ADELLE COX was presently residing at 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California, in care of Mrs. V. L. MEYER.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had reliable information to the effect that Mrs. COX was moving from Apartment 411 at the Lovetta Apartments, 832 South Oxford Avenue, Los Angeles, California, as soon as Mrs. COX returned from the Peace Conference which she is attending in San Francisco. Mrs. COX was known to state that she had purchased a house in Los Angeles where she would move in the near future. [REDACTED] did not know the address of Mrs. COX in San Francisco.

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Confidential National Defense Informant [REDACTED] was interviewed regarding the present address of ADELLE COX at San Francisco with negative results.

[REDACTED] Rosslyn Hotel, Los Angeles, California, advised that the records failed to reflect any registration for [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] however, it was explained that this Hotel was overcrowded during the last week in April. As a result, it was highly possible that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had shared a room at said Hotel with some registered guest.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

Confidential Informant [ ] furnished the writer a copy of the following organizational literature, programs and petitions [ ]

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(On letter head of WE, THE MOTHER, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, Inc.)

"I am from a national organization on a survey on a National question.

"I come from We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America and we want to remind you that next November in the coming election all the women of the United States and the older men will control the issues as we will be in the majority since most of our boys will be at war.

"We do not represent any one of the political parties. Democrat, Republican and New Deal mothers have sent their men to the war. But, we do feel that all good Americans should demand in common from all our candidates one thing. That is that our candidates who secure our votes on certain platforms must be held after they are in office to do exactly what they promised and now (as they have done heretofore) merely as they please.

"We ask you to read this, and check that it is what I say and join by writing your name with us.

"The dues for four months are ten cents--two and one half cents a month.

"We will be glad to send you notices, literature, etc. We ask you to read the fly leaf on topics which should be considered.

NATIONAL PETITION  
TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
Sponsored by  
We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America, Inc.

"We, the undersigned citizens of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, City or town of \_\_\_\_\_, Congressional Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby respectfully petition our representatives to both Houses of Congress in Washington, D. C., to enact only such law or laws as reflect the will of the majority of the voters and not those of a despotic few. We demand that the Constitution of our United States, founded by our forefathers, shall remain the charter of a free people, with no twisting of its original framework of three functioning bodies into any governmental control of one power or principal executive. And we hereby declare ourselves organized as your electorate, to support those members of our legislative

"bodies, whose records bear witness of their obedience to the will of their constituents and their fidelity to their solemn oaths of office, to support our Constitution, so that, indeed, our government of, for and by the people, may not perish from the earth.

DATE	NAME	ADDRESS

"No organizer is permitted to accept any contributions or donations. Each one is authorized solely to collect and issue a receipt for the small sum of ten cents for a 4 months membership in this organization, whose aims and purposes are herewith set forth. Our membership is open to all liberty-loving citizens, irrespective of race, sex, or religion, with special invitation to all men voters over twenty-one years old to unite with our Auxiliary, We, the Fathers, Mobilize for America. Please attend our meetings regularly, if possible."

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PETITION TO THE SENATE  
OF THE 79th CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

"For the redress of grievances affecting the American people and in particular the Army of the United States

by

The undersigned citizens of the United States

TO THE HONORABLE SENATORS OF THE UNITED STATES:

"The undersigned citizens of the United States respectfully submit for consideration the following grievances against them and all other citizens of these United States and in particular those citizens who are now engaged in the armed forces of the United States:

\* FIRST - Several official investigations by executive and congressional committees have demonstrated that there was negligence on the part of certain officials at Pearl Harbor on and prior to December 7, 1941;

\* SECOND - Admiral Husband Kimmel and General Short were first accused of the above mentioned negligence and suspended from the service;

\* THIRD - A later investigation by a Naval Board of Inquiry exonerated Admiral Kimmel and General Short of all negligence:



" FOURTH - The results of the investigations of this Naval Board of Inquiry have since been kept secret from the American people on the pretext that these results were military secrets;

" FIFTH - The American people have in many places expressed a desire to know the person or persons responsible for the defeat of Pearl Harbor and do not believe that the excuse of military expediency should be used to shield the guilty party or parties.

" WHEREAS: The undersigned citizens are of the opinion that this secrecy with regard to the investigation of the Naval Board of Inquiry should be made public:

" AND WHEREAS: Said citizens believe that the party or parties guilty of negligence (if such be the case) should be punished to the full extent of the law.

" AND WHEREAS: The refusal to make these matters public and to punish any person or persons for his share of guilt constitutes a grievance against them and the American people and those who are today fighting as a result of Pearl Harbor.

" NOW THEREFORE: The undersigned citizens request the Senate of the United States to make public the results of the investigation of the Naval Board of Inquiry and to punish all who might be guilty of negligence with regard to the Pearl Harbor disaster. And we designate the Rev. A. W. Terminiello of Huntsville, Alabama, as our agent to present this, our petition, to the Senate of the United States.

" SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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(On letterhead of WIE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA)

" Resolutions Adopted By  
Women's National Peace Conference  
June 12 and 13, 1944

" (1) Whereas, the purported reason for Britain's entrance into the Atlantic conflict was to prevent the partitioning of Poland, and the purported aims of the Atlantic Charter were "the wish to see sovereign rights and self-government reserved to those who have been forcibly deprived of them," and

Whereas, both Britain and the United States have repudiated both the mutual assistance pact between Britain and Poland, as well as the

" provisions for preservation of the integrity of small nations as set forth in the Atlantic Charter, by agreeing to Russia's seizure of a part of Poland, as well as that of the Baltic nations, and

" Whereas, the policy of the United States and Great Britain of "unconditional surrender" is un-Christian, and will prove futile, resulting in unnecessarily great loss of life in our armed forces, and

" Whereas, the Atlantic conflict is now merely a struggle between Bolshevism and Nazism for the domination of Europe, both of which ideologies are abhorrent to the American people, and

" Whereas, it is only too apparent that Germany's desire for cessation of hostilities is being ignored by Churchill and Roosevelt, for the purpose of insuring the election of President Roosevelt for a fourth term-

" Therefore, Be It Resolved:

" That the United States of America, through its Congress and State Department, transmit overtures for an immediate armistice in the Atlantic Theater of war as a preliminary to a six-months' "cooling-off" period for all parties concerned, during that interval each nation which has been a party to the conflict shall cause to be published a list of grievances which led to their participation in the conflict, together with a statement of any commitments which they may have made. Such information shall be presented in documentary form at a peace conference to be held in the United States, to which all members of Congress and representatives of the press shall have free access, to the end that there be a "Soldier's Peace," which shall be a just and lasting one.

" (2) Whereas, there exists among members of the Armed Forces, as well as the civilians of this country, great resentment over the secrecy and deceit concerning the inexcusable fiasco at Pearl Harbor.

" Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we transmit to all members of Congress a demand for the immediate court-martial of Admiral Kimmel and General Short, so that the American people may know the facts.

" (3) Whereas, our sons are fighting abroad supposedly "to preserve our American way of life", and

" Whereas, in their absence numerous refugees are being permitted to enter their country and take their jobs, which will result in a terrible unemployment problem upon their return.

" Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we demand of our Congress immediate cessation of all immigration for at least ten years.

"(4) Whereas, the Attorney General has soon fit to indict 29 persons for seditious conspiracy, many of whom are patriotic American citizens, requiring them to stand trial in a place far distant from their homes, -- in direct violation of the provision in our Bill of Rights that persons charged with crime shall be tried in the state and district wherein the alleged crime has been committed,

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we demand that Congress immediately amend the conspiracy statute under which these persons have been indicted, so as to prevent further misuse of it by the Department of Justice as an instrument of intimidation and persecution of the sovereign people of this nation.

"(5) Whereas, the Federal Reserve Act, enacted following the World War at the behest of certain foreigners and alien-minded native-born citizens, is in direct violation of our Constitutional provisions that our Congress shall have the power alone to coin and regulate the value of money of our nation,

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we will support for Congress only such nominees as shall have pledged themselves to repeal the Federal Reserve Act.

"(6) Whereas, Governor John Bricker of Ohio is the only candidate for the presidency who appears to place the welfare of our country ahead of that of all other nations,

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we will support him as long as he adheres to his unequivocal stand on nationalism as opposed to internationalism.

" Committee on Resolutions

" Mrs. L.E. Bengo  
Mrs. H.M. McAllister  
Mrs. David Stanley "

The following is a circular chain letter:  
"Praise the Lord and Draft another Christian!"

Announcing  
A JEW BATTLE ROYAL FIGHT

(Sephardic Jews vs Askenasio Jews)

WEAPONS: Conspiracy and Gold - but no bullets  
(The Gentiles spill the blood)

WALL STREET JEWS and WASHINGTON JEWS  
vs  
REFUGEE JEWS and SIDNEY HILLMAN JEWS

A FIGHT TO THE FINISH  
to decide which clique of Jews are to  
RULE THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA

BRITISH JEWS vs RUSSIAN JEWS

A FIGHT TO THE FINISH  
to decide which gang of Jews are to  
RULE THE PEOPLE OF EUROPE

THE TIME: The Present  
THE PLACE: America and Europe  
The Referees: American Saps and Traitors  
ADMISSION CHARGE: Billions and Billions

Note  
Please make copies of this notice and  
Help Pass the Word Along //

The following is another circular chain letter:

" Excerpts from the Journal of Charles Pickney, of  
South Carolina, of the proceedings of the Consti-  
tutional Convention of 1789, regarding the state-  
ments of Benjamin Franklin at the convention,  
concerning the JEWISH IMMIGRATION

The original of this copy may be seen in  
the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.

" There is a great danger for the United States of America. This  
great danger is the Jew. Gentlemen in whichever land the Jews have settled,  
they have depressed the moral level and lowered the degree of commercial  
honesty. They have remained apart and unassimilated - they attempt to strangle  
the nation financially, as in the case of Portugal and Spain.

" For more than seventeen hundred years they have lamented their  
sorrowful fate - namely, that they were driven out of their Mother-land - but,  
gentlemen, if the civilized world today should give them back Palestine and their  
property, they would immediately find pressing reasons for not returning there.  
Why? Because they are vampires and vampires cannot live on other vampires.



" They cannot live among themselves. They must live among Christians and others who do not belong to their race.

" If they are not excluded from the United States by the Constitution, within less than one hundred years, they will stream into this country in such numbers that they will rule and destroy us and change our form of government, for which we Americans shed our blood, and sacrificed life, property and personal freedom. If the Jews are not excluded, within two hundred years, our children will be working in the fields to feed the Jews, while they remain in the counting house gleefully rubbing their hands.

" I warn you, gentlemen, if you do not exclude the Jews forever, your children and your children's children will curse you in your grave. Their ideas are not those of Americans, even when they have lived among us for ten generations. The leopard cannot change his spots. Neither can a Jew. The Jews are a danger to this land and if they are allowed to enter they will imperil our institutions. They should be excluded by the Constitution.

Remember, this will only take a few minutes to help further a cause that will have a bearing on YOUR OWN personal future.

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Within three days make out five copies and mail to five Gentiles in this locality, whom you think will keep this chain going. Don't be the one to break it."

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[redacted] furnished the reporting Agent with the following enumerated literature [redacted]

[redacted] The following are being sent as enclosures with this report to the Bureau:

1. 1 copy, America in Danger, dated 4/21/45  
#344 by CHARLES BARTLETT HUDSON  
4515 Grant Street, Omaha, Nebraska
2. 1 copy, 40 Years of Roosevelt, copyright 1944  
by T. W. HUGHES, P.O. Box 347 Old Post Office Building,  
Chicago, Illinois
3. 1 copy, The Cross of War, Is It due to Stupidity or Cupidity?  
by REV. ARTHUR W. TERMINIELLO, M.A., LL.B.  
Broadcast over North Alabama Network on October 22, 1944.

[redacted] advised that the following [redacted] was located

[redacted] MRS. COX was born in Chicago, Illinois, her father's name was JOHN P. KNIGHTLY and her mother's name was EDNA MAE GORE.

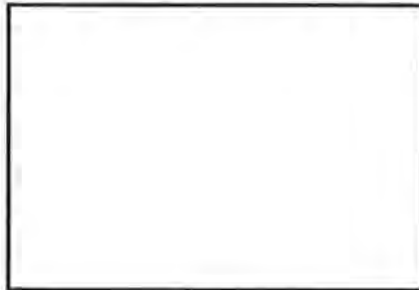
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[redacted] checked the records of this concern regarding MARVIN and ADELLE COX but with negative results.

The names of the following correspondents of ADELLE COX in Los Angeles

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California and vicinity were checked thru the indices of the Los Angeles Field Division with no derogatory information save that the name of [redacted] appears as a Silver Shirt donor or prospect (1934-1938).



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ENCLOSURES:

TO THE BUREAU:

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California, will follow and report the activities of the members of Subject organization attending the World Security Conference bearing in mind that the chief instigators are Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING of Chicago, President, and ADELLE COX of Los Angeles, California, the head of the California unit of this organization.

Will ascertain the background, nationalistic tendencies, and activities of [redacted] ADELLE COX and thereafter, if deemed advisable, interview her regarding activities of ADELLE COX and Subject organization at the Peace Conference.

Will ascertain the background, nationalistic tendencies, and connection if any of Mrs. V. L. MEYER, 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, with subject organization.

At Oakland, California, will determine the background, nationalistic tendencies and connections, if any of Mrs. LUISE JULIE (S. E.) SMILEY, Hotel Saint Mark, 120 Franklin Street, Oakland, California, with instant organization.

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THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

Will interview Confidential Informants [redacted] for a detailed account of the current activities of ADELLE COX and instant organization.

One copy of instant report is being furnished to the Portland, Seattle, Providence, New York and San Diego offices for information because correspondents of Mrs. VAN HYNING and ADELLE COX reside in said Field Divisions and it is probable that Subject organization has or will have units of this movement revolving about these correspondents.



~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Confidential Informant

[REDACTED]

(Requested anonymity)

Confidential Informant

[REDACTED]

(Requested anonymity)

Confidential Informant

A highly confidential source known only to the writer.

Confidential Informant

A highly confidential source known only to the writer and Special Agent [REDACTED] This informant made available [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] referred to in the details of instant report unless indicated otherwise. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] not germane to this investigation are being retained in the Bulky Exhibit file of the instant case in the Los Angeles Field Office.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

FILE No. 100-10704

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.	DATE WHEN MADE 6/15/45 ✓ 4/20, 22-24, 26; 5/1, 2, 7, 8, 23/45	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] Cl.M
TITLE WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - G; SEDITION
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject organization [REDACTED] [REDACTED] LYRL VAN HYNING, president of organization from Chicago, and ADELLE COX, representative from Los Angeles, resided at York Hotel during stay in San Fran- cisco. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] during stay in San Francisco. No pertinent activity on the part of organization during stay of representatives. -P- <i>mm</i>			
REFERENCE: Bureau File No. 100-94121. Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Los Angeles, California, May 26, 1945.			
DETAILS: On April 22, 1945, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that the [REDACTED]			
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[redacted]  
[redacted] On April 26, 1945, this office obtained a letter from [redacted]  
[redacted] which he found on the street in front of Fishermen's Wharf  
in San Francisco. This letter is as follows:

"Chicago, Ill.  
April 23/45

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"Dear Adelle

"Your telegram came today--I am sending you some statements, abridge or add as you wish--also statement that you represent We The Mothers. Keep me informed of everything--the whole purpose is to introduce a discordant note. How about picketing the American delegation?

" Mr. Gerald L K Smith will be there May 6--and we cooperate with him, but in addition to the name I have given you watch out for [redacted] Thumbs down on him.

"I shall come as soon as I can--The papers will be out Wed., shall we send some to you in Frisco--how many? We are sending you a new pamphlet--very good. Americans is [redacted]

"Lovingly yours,  
"Lyrl."

It is to be noted that the person to whom this letter is addressed is believed to be Mrs. ADELLE COX, who is head of "WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC." at Los Angeles, California. It is believed that the person signing this letter is Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING.

[redacted] the York Hotel, 580 Geary Street, was contacted on April 23, 1945, and he advised that as soon as representatives of the above organization registered at his hotel, he would advise the San Francisco Office.

On May 2, 1945, [redacted] advised that ADELLE COX and Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING were occupying Room 702 at this hotel. [redacted] stated, however, that these two representatives spent very little time in their room, and that they were out most of the time.

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the following letter was posted on the bulletin board of the Palace Hotel

"WE, THE MOTHERS MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC."  
537 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

May 2, 1945

"Hon. [REDACTED]

"All the world wants peace, but the world is tottering on the brink of destruction, only an honest effort on the part of all can save it. If the powers really want peace, they can get it by displaying a tendency to cooperate.

"A proof of this is in the discard of all secret agreements, by appeasing none, and by giving to each nation the right to speak fearlessly and honestly.

"We protest the hypocrisy of 'peace' by war mongers. They have drawn plans for a fair house but there is no foundation. The old men who have made two wars are using the hopes and fears of all peoples to start a third war.

"We protest a Peace Conference which excludes Nations not in war. It seems only sensible that Nations like Ireland, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal and Sweden, who have had the good sense to stay out of war, could direct the war mongers how to do it.

"We protest a peace discussion by Nations with unstable governments dictating to those who have.

"We protest a peace discussion which does not recognize the cause of war. Against whom is all the fury to be directed now that Germany is to be destroyed, and cannot be blamed for the next war?

"We demand adult thinking, rather than the puerile dreaming of these would be dictators and world saviours.



"At the close of the 1919 Conference, Mr. Robert Lansing, Sec'y of State wrote 'We have a treaty of peace, but it will not bring permanent peace, because it is founded on the shifting sands of self-interest'.

"When this mad and poisonous fever of commercialism shall have run its course'--Then, and only then can we have peace.

"Practically yours for a Christian Peace"

/s/ Dr. Adelle Cox  
Calif. President  
York Hotel

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [ ] dated May 26, 1945, at Los Angeles, California, in which an undeveloped lead is set forth to ascertain the background, nationalistic tendencies and activities of [ ]  
[ ] ADELLE COX, and in the event it should be deemed advisable, interview her regarding the activities of ADELLE COX and subject organization at the peace conference.

A check of the indices of the San Francisco Field Division reflects that [ ] who has been the subject of an extensive closed investigation of the San Francisco Field Division. This investigation reflected that both [ ] were at one time members of the [ ] has previously been [ ] in the America First Committee. Both are very anti-Semitic and have been in the past very critical of our present form of government. Therefore, due to the previous investigation conducted, it is deemed advisable not to interview [ ] as to the activities of ADELLE COX or as to her affiliation with instant organization.

Reference is also made to the undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent [ ] dated May 26, 1945, at Los Angeles, California, which was set forth to ascertain the background, nationalistic tendencies and connection of Mrs. V. L. MEYER, 545 Sutter Street, San Francisco, with subject organization.

A check of the indices of the San Francisco Field Division reflected that VIRGINIA LOTHER MEYER, with aliases, is the subject of a closed Registration Act case of the San Francisco Field Division. During this investigation, Mrs. MEYER admitted on being interviewed that she had attended one German American Bund meeting which had been held in San Francisco, and also that at one time she did have at her bookshop some German propaganda literature. Previous investigation also reflects that Mrs. MEYER is very anti-Semitic and very much anti-Communist. During this interview Mrs. MEYER also advised that before the war started, she tried hard and earnestly to keep our country out of war, because

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she did not believe in war, that she does not think any woman believes in it, and that we were one of the greatest nations on earth, a Christian nation, and that we had in our hands the power to bring about an honorable peace; so, with that thought in mind, she wrote letters to Senators, Congressmen, and other legislators, pleading long and earnestly to do the best they could to keep the country out of war. This investigation further reflects that Mrs. MEYER is a native-born American woman, having been born in West Elizabeth, Pennsylvania, on February 9, 1876. She is presently married to HARRY BAILEY MEYER, a native-born American citizen, a World War veteran, now an invalid, and she and her husband reside at 1965 A Fifteenth Street, San Francisco, California.

In view of the previous investigation which has been conducted by this office regarding Mrs. MEYER, it is deemed advisable that she should not be interviewed regarding the activities of instant organization.

On May 23, 1945, [redacted] of the York Hotel, 580 Geary Street, advised that both Mrs. ADELLE COX and LYRL VAN HYNING had departed from that hotel that date en route to Los Angeles, California.

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THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION:

At Oakland, California, will determine the background, nationalistic tendencies and connections, if any, of Mrs. LUISE JULIE (S. E.) SMILEY, Hotel St. Mark, 120 Franklin Street, Oakland, California, with instant organization.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

FILE NO. **100-7343**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7-3-45</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/6, 9, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21; 7/2, 3, 6, 7/45</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>PPB-M/L</b>
TITLE <b>RE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZED FOR AMERICA, INC.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - C SEDITION</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject organization overcame QDT ban on conventions, and staged second peace convention at LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, June 14, 15, and 16, 1945. Convention poorly attended and unorganized. Convention program designed on theme "To Call America To Americans". Leading speeches included [redacted] on "America Meets India", [redacted] on "Bretton Woods", and [redacted] on "Is America Preserving The British Empire?" [redacted] of New York, Council for defendant [redacted] in the sedition trial, Washington, D.C., spoke at random berating policies of U. S. Government. Average attendance 35 during daytime sessions and 150 at night sessions. Convention financed by donations and collections. Regular meeting of the organization held on June 11, 1945 at 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, at which time President EVEL VAN DYKING made her report on the San Francisco Conference. Mrs. VAN DYKING stressed United States sellout to Russia, the disregard for smaller nations, and the British colonization scheme, which factors in her opinion comprised the peace conference.  - P -  REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated May 5, 1945 at Chicago, Illinois. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 21, 1945 at Los Angeles, California.			
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DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The ODT had ordered the cancellation of the annual convention plans prompted by the subject organization for June 14, 15, and 16, 1945 at Chicago. Elaborate plans had been made by Mrs. LYRL VAN HYNING, the President, to hold the second peace convention at the Skyline Athletic Club, 183 West Randolph Street, Chicago. The convention plans were canceled by ODT in view of the wartime regulation banning all such conventions. At the time of the cancellation Mrs. VAN HYNING issued a statement published in the local newspapers to the effect that the convention would be held and that she would not be violating the ban because she did not anticipate more than fifty people using intercity travel or hotel accommodations.

Arrangements were then made by Mrs. VAN HYNING to hold the convention at the LaSalle Hotel, utilizing the Century Room in that building. It is to be noted that the program printed for this convention had to be changed, and that the changes were indicated by a rubber stamp over the Skyline Building, "LaSalle Hotel", and the word "convention" was crossed out and the word "Meeting" written in.

It has not been determined whether the original confusion surrounding the cancellation or the lack of interest in the organization's effort was responsible for the poor attendance. It was estimated that the daytime sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, were attended by approximately 35 people; and the evening sessions approximated an average of 150.

A review of the convention program reflects that not much planning was done inasmuch as only three main speakers were scheduled. The first day [ ] spoke on "America Meets India". This evening session drew approximately 100 people. The second day called for a speech by [ ] on "Bretton Woods". Another speech had been scheduled by a [ ] of Korea, title not given. [ ] did not appear, and the [ ] of New York City appeared in [ ] stead. The last day [ ] of Los Angeles, California spoke on "Is America Preserving The British Empire?" Detailed information relative to the speeches will be set out in this report.

There was no indication that a regular attendance fee was charged at the various sessions, and reliable information indicates that donations and basket collections helped to defray the expense of this meeting. Confidential Informant [ ] whose identity is known to the Bureau, [ ] advised that the best estimate would be that \$120 was collected

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at each evening session.

The balance of the program was confined to twenty minute speeches by delegate leaders and in each instance appeared to be unorganized and unprepared with random ramblings on petty questions. [REDACTED]

Photostatic copies of the program have been prepared and are being forwarded with this report to the Bureau.

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The evening session of the first day brought [REDACTED] as the chief speaker. [REDACTED] under the topic "America Meets India", pointed out that the history of India reflected endless suffering and misery under British misrule and tyranny. India, according to [REDACTED] had for many

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centuries been a peaceful and contented land with vast riches and great culture of her own comparable to ancient Greece and the Roman Empire. It was not until England entered the picture with her theory of well-known greed that the evils which are predominant in India today made their appearance. According to the speaker, three hundred and fifty million souls have been forced into slavery and extreme poverty despite England's alleged policy that she is trying to teach India self-rule. The Doctor quoted statistics, and said that at one time when India was free India had about 14 per cent illiteracy, and since England's control illiteracy has risen to 83 per cent. He pointed out that Mr. CHURCHILL has openly admitted that eight out of every ten British subjects live off the riches of India, and that Mr. CHURCHILL further admitted that the great scientists of India are denied recognition in their amazing discoveries and inventions. These discoveries, continued the Doctor, are stolen by the British.

The Doctor then entered into the San Francisco Peace Conference, and pointed out that the so-called peace-loving nations are meeting in San Francisco for the purpose of establishing self-government for other nations. This he said was the greatest farce in the history of civilization. The promise that India might be raised to full status of a British Dominion was another farce according to the Doctor, who added that a British Dominion or a British Possession or a British Mandate all added up to the same aggression. "India wants independence such as is held in America and believes that she can maintain her independence because India is self-sufficient", with that statement the Doctor pointed out that the American people are making a great mistake in allowing the politicians to destroy the blessings of self-government. The Doctor then entered into the present war situation and pointed out that India today is overrun by Allied soldiers including Americans. "They are using our land," he added, "for military bases". He then asked the question, "How would America appreciate Indian troops in its land for the purpose of attacking Mexico or some South American country?" He then pointed out that the American troops in India were being used to attack a foreign power, which attack was not justified and was doing nothing more than to destroy the confidence of India in the United States. His closing remark was, "Why in God's name do you Americans assist our deadly enemy and ruthless oppressor in every possible way. Why do you supply him with the necessary weapons to continue his insatiable greediness for things which do not belong to him?"

The second day [redacted] discussed "Bretton Woods", and pointed out that the entire plan was designed to promote the safeguard of foreign nations and to ensnare the United States in alliances which we could not carry out and which would result in continuous wars without benefit to this country. She added that President ROOSEVELT has at all times been involved in a secret pact with Prime Minister CHURCHILL, which pact has aided in bringing

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the United States into disrepute in the eyes of the smaller nations and has certainly brought ruination to the American people. According to [redacted] if the policies adopted by President ROOSEVELT in his secret alliances with Prime Minister CHURCHILL are carried out, the United States for generations to come will suffer. She then entered into the topic set forth in the program, "We Sell America To Americans", and pointed out the need for the American women in national politics. She stated that the present convention was designed along the lines of introducing into the political field leading women of the United States and that the difficulties already encountered at this convention were indicative of the difficulties which would be brought to bear by leading politicians in Washington to prevent the success of We, The Mothers, Inc.

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On the second day also in the place of [redacted] of Korea, the [redacted] appeared, and pointed out how the present administration was failing the American people both in national and international policy. He indicated that "Baruch over Congress" was responsible for this ruination of the American nation. He singled out the Standard Oil Company and the Rockefeller Family as the greatest violators of American trust. He pointed out that ROOSEVELT and CHURCHILL have conspired to break down the American traditions. The propaganda schemes which were circulated throughout the United States prior to the war, pointed out [redacted] were conceived and promoted in Hollywood, which he classified as "the greatest propaganda mill in the world". He then alluded to the punishment of the war criminals, and pointed out that Justice ROBERTS, who is in charge of this program, should preface his punishment program by punishing ROOSEVELT and CHURCHILL. He added too that Murder, Incorporated was used by national politicians to eliminate those individuals who stood in the way of the policy of the New Deal, and cited an instance without revealing names where SIDNEY HILLMAN ordered the murder of a prominent individual because this individual stood in the way of SIDNEY HILLMAN's Political Action Committee.

[redacted] then entered into the [redacted] case and labeled it as a "travesty on justice". He said "the American people will never understand how it is legally possible for a foreign government to confine in an institution a citizen of the United States irrespective of the crime in which the individual may be involved". [redacted] spoke briefly on the sedition trial at Washington, D. C., and pointed out that many individuals who were leaders in a movement for better government had been brought to trial in that particular case, and then asked the question, "Do the American people have a right to promote better government?"

On the third day Mrs. VAN HYHINK spoke at length on the reasons for the U. S. entry into World War II. She said, "The lie about Pearl Harbor is

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responsible for our boys being killed today". Towards that end she distributed a mimeographed sheet entitled, "The Great Deception", by [redacted] This document points out that "there is no doubt that Mr. ROOSEVELT's statement in Boston which assured the fathers and mothers of American boys that the boys would not be sent to any foreign war, was responsible for the unrest which developed in this country". The statement adds that "that was the first betrayal on the part of Mr. ROOSEVELT because within six months after that statement the American army was landing on foreign soil". The statement reads, "Nowhere in the Constitution is any authority given to the President to use the armed forces to make war". It points out that on April 9, 1941 an advanced guard of the American Army of eighty thousand was landing in Greenland with utmost secrecy for the express purpose of relieving the British garrison on that island, which forces were then engaged in the war with HITLER. According to this document, the reason for this invasion was to protect the ships carrying lend-lease and other supplies from the United States to England, and adds that the American ships were also carrying American civilians, if not military personnel, to the north of Ireland where, long before Pearl Harbor, they engaged in preparing boats, camps, and fields for our armed forces to come.

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This statement of [redacted] also points out that Mr. ROOSEVELT was planning for war at the time that he made his promise to the American people, and reflects that the Navy authorities authorized for publication an article by [redacted] USN, telling of the departure of a task force to reinforce one of our islands on November 23, 1941, nine days before Pearl Harbor. On this cruise, according to the statement, [redacted] stated the sailing was done under absolute war orders and that [redacted] the Commander of the Aircraft Battle Force, had given instructions that the secrecy of our mission was to be protected at all costs, that we were to shoot down anything we saw in the sky, and to bomb anything we saw on the sea. In that way there could be no leak to the Japs. The statement points out that nine days before the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor, the President without a declaration of war had ordered exactly a similar lawless attack in the event that the task force met any Japanese.

The above statement was read in its entirety by Mrs. VAN HYNING, a copy of which is being maintained in the files of the Chicago Field Division

Mrs. VAN HYNING also entered into the question of the atrocity stories presently appearing in the American newspapers. She pointed out that in every instance these atrocity stories reflect only one side of the question and at no time do we read of atrocity stories resulting from the actions of the English army or the Russian army. She indicated too that the American people will be punished for their wholesale destruction of the

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European cities because no European nation has ever bombed an American civilian or dropped a bomb on American cities. She closed her speech by stating that "Women must take an active part in government if we hope to make a lasting peace".

On the third day also the resolutions previously set out in this report were debated and adopted.

The closing speech of the convention was given by [redacted] of Los Angeles, California, and was entitled, "Is America Preserving The British Empire". [redacted] stated that he was a former British subject born in Jerusalem, and that he had lived and suffered under British rule. He said he witnessed disturbances between the Arabs and the Jews, which disturbances were instigated by the British. According to [redacted] the British would incite one faction against the other and then would take control of the entire country under the slogan, "The British Are Needed To Keep Order". He cited instances where innocent people were executed and others starved to death and entire villages were burned in order to carry out their protective policy. In many cases, continued [redacted] British arms were furnished to bandit tribes of Arabs in order that these disturbances would continue.

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[redacted] then referred to the San Francisco Conference, and pointed out that the entire conference was devoted to the protection of the British colonization program. He added there are no rules whereby Britain will maintain peace unless Britain is assured protection in the maintenance of her colonies. He then related the double cross on the part of Russia, and stated that Russia had no intentions of declaring war against Japan, and that if the point were brought to an issue, Russia would declare war against the United States. He pointed out also that the United States has made it possible for the nations to conduct the present World War by supplying arms, food and other supplies to belligerent nations before the United States declared war. He in part absolved Germany for her military endeavor and stated that the Versailles Treaty practically starved Germany. He qualified this remark by stating that he did not believe in Nazism; however, he stated HITLER must be commended on the manner in which he rebuilt the German nation after the last war.

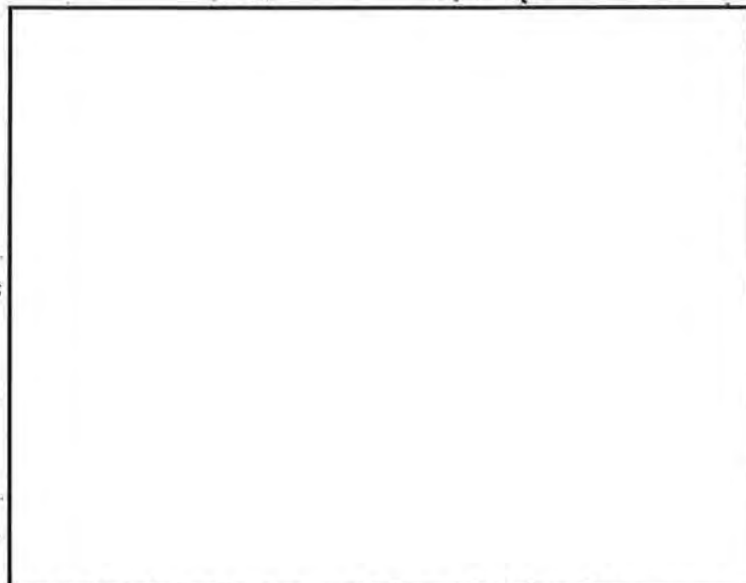
Numerous periodicals, leaflets, and other propaganda were sold at the door during this convention. None of these pamphlets appeared to have any bearing on the convention itself, and are therefore not being set out in this report. The leaflets are being maintained in the files of the Chicago Field Division for future reference.

No complete registration was maintained at the convention. However, the following names of individuals in regular attendance were furnished this office by Confidential Informant [redacted]

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ADALTE COX, San Francisco, California



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Confidential Informant [ ] further reports that all of the members of the We, The Mothers, Inc. locally; the followers of [ ] Constitutional Americans; [ ] Citizen USA Committee, and [ ] Women's Educational League were present at these meetings and in most instances made up the bulk of the attendance. It is to be noted further, according to [ ] that [ ] and HENRY MARTZ, both subjects of Chicago files, were [ ] further reports that many of those who were interested in German Verein Life, Chicago, also attended many of these sessions, including such individuals as [ ] and members of the Concordia Male Chorus attended [ ] This organization is also a subject of a Chicago investigation.

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On June 11, 1945 subject organization held its regular meeting in Studio D at 168 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, at 8:10 p.m. According to the information furnished by [ ] this meeting was attended by approximately 175 people, of which about 25 were men. At this meeting Mrs. VAN HYNING, the President, reported on the San Francisco Conference. Her opening statement reflected that the conference was unconstitutional in that it did not set out to establish peace and secondly, because the subject organization was at first refused admittance. Mrs. VAN HYNING did not indicate what she had personally observed in the conference hall proper, but spent considerable time in pointing out the results of her interviews with individuals who did attend the conference.

Toward that end, she stated that she had spoken to many representatives from the smaller countries, and was told by these representatives that the conference was not for their benefit, and that the possibilities of independence for the small countries were limited. She stated that apparently the reason for refusal to let the subject organization actively participate in the convention was based on the charge that the organization was Anti-Semitic. She then pointed out that many of the individuals who were representatives of the Semitic races could not explain to Mrs. VAN HYNING what anti-Semitism meant. Some of these people she said were opposed to the United States participation in this war and were fighting the lend-lease program. Therefore, she added, "We certainly had a common ground on which to air our views". Then she stated that in her conferences with the representatives of the smaller nations she found out that these countries did not borrow money from the international bankers, and therefore were excluded from participation in this conference.

She then pointed out that a conference was held on May 18 at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco where a resolution was passed by We The Mothers, Inc. to the effect that the American people will never be able to accept the

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responsibility of establishing a just peace as long as the American people were not informed of the true facts of the Pearl Harbor attack and the [redacted] case. This resolution then was allegedly presented to the American delegates to the Conference. A demand was made for a complete revelation of the Pearl Harbor disgrace and the British imprisonment of the American citizen [redacted]

She pointed out that the San Francisco Conference was a scheme to reaffirm the British colonization scheme. She then added that she had an affidavit to prove that the Pearl Harbor incident was promoted by the British and U. S. Governments.

Mrs. VAN HYNING also pointed out the U. S. sellout to Russia and indicated that had it not been for American assistance to Russia, the European war might not have ended in the manner known to the people. She added that Russia, because of the American people's assistance, is now in a position to declare war against this country if Russia so desires.

Mrs. VAN HYNING then pointed out the need for the success of the second peace convention, and instructed all the members to do their utmost in promoting a good attendance. She stated also that she expected to have representatives and delegates at the convention from every state in the union, and pointed out that the subject organization was the only one presently functioning on a national scale. The collection taken at this particular meeting, according to [redacted] appeared to be very good. The best estimate given was \$250.

It is to be noted that the subject organization has been successful in obtaining office space in the same building previously occupied, 637 South Dearborn. However, the organization was forced to move to another floor.

[redacted] advised that they printed 5000 issues of the "Women's Voice" dated March 29, 1945. She put aside some copies of this issue to be furnished to this office but due to the fact that their account with subject organization had been discontinued she said her husband inadvertently had destroyed these remaining copies. Consequently, she was unable to furnish them. As she had previously advised, this was the last issue which they were going to print.

Confidential Informant [redacted] furnished a copy of the "Women's Voice" for March 29, 1945. Two photostatic copies of this issue are being enclosed herewith for the Bureau's information.

The following is a summary of pertinent articles in this issue:

Page 3, Column 1, contains an article entitled "Peace Conference 1919-45" with

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a sub-heading "Christian or Jewish?". In this article a comparison is drawn between peace conferences following the last war and peace conferences at the present time. The general tone of the article is anti-Semitic in nature and anti-British.

The article on Page 4, Column 1, entitled "Calling All Women" states that the San Francisco Peace Conference is being held for the purpose of establishing a world police force. This is said to mean to the mothers that it will take ten more years out of their boys' lives. They are encouraged to organize in their neighborhoods and speak up to break up the spell of super planners.

On Page 7, Column 3, the article entitled "Come Back to the Constitution", sets out in part that the agreements at Yalta were un-American and that anything decided at the San Francisco Conference should be disregarded. Referring to Congress, it is stated in the article, "We shall demand of them the impeachment of these unfaithful servants. We shall demand war-guilt trials for every guilty person, from the President down. We shall demand the immediate return of our boys . . . .".

On Page 9, Column 1, there appears an article "All Eyes on San Francisco". It is stated that the Yalta Conference was termed "Crime of Crimea", which was worse than that, being the crime of the world. The second paragraph reads, "To look at the sad faces of the women and innocent children of Germany, yes all Europe, is enough to wring tears from a heart of stone, yet it seems that the thirst for blood of these little Threes can never be sated. What is to become of the world!" The article continues with the theme that our newspapers glory in raids on Tokyo and destruction, of which the writer of the article does not approve.

On Page 10, Column 1, the article "A Word of Warning" opposes the draft of nurses for the armed forces. There is quoted what is alleged to be an excerpt from an unnamed officer overseas to the effect that any nurse who might be drafted should be informed of the moral dangers to which they are going to be exposed. He goes on to say that the officers believe that the nurses are more GI issue, i.e. something to be used for the pleasure of the officers.

The following is a summary of pertinent articles in the issue of the "Women's Voice" of May 24, 1945. This issue also was furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted]

On Page 2, Column 2, the article entitled "The San Francisco Conference" generally belittles the conference. It is claimed that their purpose is not building a just peace but seems to be to make a case for or against various ministers or diplomats.

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On Page 3, Column 1, is an article entitled "Anti-Semitism as Practiced by the Jews". It is noted that the heading on this page is "California Roman Creak" and apparently this article was submitted from California. The Jews are accused of being anti-Semitic. In explanation of this it is stated that the Arab is a Semite and the Jew is violently opposed to him and desires to destroy him. It is also stated that the Jews are both anti-Christian and anti-Semitic. It is concluded that in America we are complacent and are strong for freedom of speech and press toward those who would destroy those freedoms.

On Page 5, Column 2, the article entitled "V-E Day" sets out that the soldiers traveling across the United States on the way to the Pacific Theater are filled with sadness. Further that there is no victory in destroyed cities and mutilated and impoverished peoples but that the Nazi flag has been replaced with the hammer and sickle.

On Page 6, Column 3, the article entitled "America, Go Home!" contends that the fire we are spreading over Japan will come back to us as surely as a ball thrown against a wall comes back with accelerated force. It is alleged that the British will disrupt the Orient and if we continue as her catspan we will fight Russia. America is told to repent and turn back from this mad race of empire.

On Page 7, Column 2, appears an article entitled "Who Are the Civilized?" regarding atrocities. It is contended that the British Empire has gone through the world committing atrocities and that we stand condemned with her.

ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU

Two photostatic copies of the "Women's Voice" and two photostatic copies of the program of the second peace convention.

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THE CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will recontact Confidential Informant [ ] to secure information regarding meetings of subject organization, and also to determine [ ]

Will recontact Informant [ ] for information regarding activities of subject organization.

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Will, through the efforts of Confidential Informant [ ] continue to report the activities of the subject organization.

Will determine from [ ] what printing firm is now publishing the "Women's Voice". Will make such investigation as is necessary to determine the reliability of this firm and if it is reliable will make arrangements to secure copies of the issue of May 24, 1945 and copies of further issues of the publication. Will determine from them the number of issues published, and what arrangements are made for paying for the printing.

Copies of this report are being furnished to the Los Angeles and San Francisco Field Divisions to complete their records.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [REDACTED]

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [REDACTED]

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Form No. 1

This Case Originated at CHICAGO

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Report Made at  SAN FRANCISCO	Date When Made  7/25/45	Period For Which Made  7/18/45	Report Made by  [redacted] bjc
Title WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.			Character of Case INTERNAL SECURITY - G SEDITION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mrs. LUISE JULIE SMILEY is the elderly wife of a retired United States Army Colonel who was a self appointed investigator and militant worker against un-American activities. Mrs. SMILEY returned from Germany in 1941, is now living in Oakland, California, and is very feeble. No connections with "We, The Mothers, Mobilize For America, Incorporated" noted during their activities at San Francisco.

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REFERENCE: Bureau file 100-94121.  
Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated 5/26/45  
at Los Angeles, California.  
Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated 6/15/45  
at San Francisco, California.

DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The indices of the San Francisco Field Division reflected that Mrs. LUISE JULIE SMILEY and Colonel SAMUEL SMILEY were the subjects of a prior investigation by this Office. They have a son and daughter whom they desire to educate in Europe but the son married and this precluded further European education.

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by the [redacted] who was employed

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[redacted] went to Germany in 1937 and as far as is known she has not returned to this country. Mrs. LUISE SMILEY went to Germany in 1939 to visit [redacted] and returned to the United States at New York on March 4, 1941.

Investigation by the Berkeley Police Department at Berkeley, California, in 1940 reflected that Colonel SMILEY was a self appointed investigator and a militant worker against un-American activities. He subscribed to the "Silver Shirts" magazine for his own information. Colonel SMILEY also received and distributed a great deal of German literature and propaganda in 1940. Colonel SMILEY is described as follows:

Age	83 years
Height	5'5"
Weight	130 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Gray
Eye Glasses	Silver rimmed
Complexion	Pasty
Moustache	Full
Nationality	American
Peculiarities.	Nervous
United States Army	1920
Retirement Date	

Mrs. SMILEY is described as follows:

Age	83 years
Height	5'6"
Weight	120 lbs.
Build	Slender
Complexion	Sallow
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Gray
Eye Glasses	Pincenez worn occasionally
Peculiarities	Talks with some accent

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No active investigation has been conducted on these individuals recently inasmuch as they are not well and are very old and feeble.

While the United Nations Conference on International Organization was meeting at San Francisco a very thorough investigation was conducted of the subject organization by Confidential Informant [redacted]. A copy of the Informant's report has been furnished to this Office. A review of this report fails to reflect that Mr. or Mrs. S. E. SMILEY were active or contacted any of the individuals connected with the subject organization during its activities at San Francisco.

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Confidential Informant [redacted] however, advised that Colonel and Mrs. SAMUEL E. SMILEY did contact GERALD L. K. SMITH during his activities at San Francisco.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: APRIL 2, 1946

FROM : H. C. VAN PELT, ASAC

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DATE 07-19-2007 BY AUC 60324 BAW/RS/SEZ

SUBJECT: WE, THE MOTHERS, MOBILIZE FOR AMERICA, INC.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - G; SEDITION

[redacted] of the Jewish Survey Committee telephoned at 3:40 this afternoon and advised that [redacted] of GERALD L. K. SMITH, has just checked into the Stuart Hotel in San Francisco. He had no further information and did not know the purpose of her visit.

A check of the indices disclosed that [redacted] of the MOTHERS OF THE USA, mentioned in 100-10704-27, Page 2.

The said case is closed and it is not believed any further action is necessary.

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